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**ANNUAL REPORT**

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

THE custom, which so generally prevails, of requiring periodical reports from those who have committed to them the charities of the Church, is obviously founded in wisdom, and justice; they who furnish the means for carrying forward benevolent operations, should be informed of the manner in which these means have been applied, they are entitled to such information, and it is both the duty, and the privilege of those to whom their charities have been entrusted to furnish it; and many, and important advantages may, and do result from regular periodical reports. The object of the Institution is in this way brought before the public, its state is exhibited, its wants are made known, its beneficial results are seen, and opportunity is afforded for urging its claims.

In compliance with this wise, and good regulation, the Board of Missions would now present to the General Assembly their TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT, containing in brief, the transactions, and as far as they have been able to ascertain, the results of the past year.

Since the meeting of the last Assembly, it has pleased the Head of the Church to grant to your Board, a year of unusually serene, and silent progress in the work assigned them, distinguished indeed by no occurrence of difficulty, or of very special interest, whilst it has, we believe, eminently furthered the great object for which we were appointed. We have not been called upon during the year to make any very special effort in the way of collecting funds. By a well arranged system in its regular ordinary operations, we have been supplied. Under such circumstances, the Board feel they are called upon to give special thanks to the God of providence and of grace. The duty assigned us is silent and unostentatious, to manage the charities of the Church for the spread of the gospel, and we feel it to be no ordinary privilege to be permitted to do this, silently, but efficiently.

Since we last reported, death has lessened our number. Two valuable members of your Board, and of the number elected by the last Assembly, the Rev. Dr. James Magraw, and the Rev. Dr. William

Nevins, have ceased from their labours, and gone to receive their reward. Dr. Magraw was a member of the last Assembly, and acted a prominent part in the important proceedings of that body.

These brethren were both well known, and much beloved in the Church. Intelligent, sound, active, devoted ministers of Christ. The firm advocates of truth, and order—the warm friends of missions, and all benevolent institutions—and both were called away in the midst of their days, and of their usefulness. In these solemn and deeply affecting providences, the voice of God speaks loudly to their brethren, who are left behind. “Work while it is day, the night cometh, in which no man can work.”

Shortly after the meeting of the last Assembly, the Board appointed an assistant Secretary, to aid the Secretary and General Agent, in the arduous and responsible duties of his office. This appointment was made under a full conviction, that such aid was much needed. The extensive correspondence, and other business of the office, make the duties there exceedingly arduous, and the Secretary in the discharge of his duties as General Agent, is of necessity frequently absent from the office, and as these duties call him to the most remote parts of the Church, and of the land, he is sometimes compelled to be away for weeks together. And it is of vital importance to the cause that the business of the office be done, not only efficiently, but *promptly*. Delay there, tends to weaken public confidence, and must be seriously injurious. To prevent such delay, and secure at all times the prompt, and efficient performance of the office duties, an assistant was appointed.

The Board, after much deliberation, appointed to this place, Mr. John C. Backus, of the Theological Seminary at Princeton. Mr. Backus accepted the appointment, and entered on the duties of his office the first of November, since then, he has been wholly devoted to this work, and has rendered essential service to the cause. By direction of the Board, in the month of February, he left the office on a tour through the south western and western states. In this tour he travels as the organ of the Board, and as he has opportunity, performs the duties of a missionary and agent.

The appointments which have been made during the year, the amount of labour performed, with the results, as far as ascertained, will now be given in a general table, exhibiting in parallel columns the following items.

1. The names of congregations and missionary stations.
2. The names of missionaries and agents, in alphabetical order.

3. Dates of their commission, or of the time when they commenced their labour in the service of the Board.
4. The time for which they were commissioned, in months.
5. Months of labour performed.
6. Number of Sabbath Schools.
7. Additions to the Churches on examination.
8. Additions on certificate.
9. Number of subscribers to Temperance Societies.
10. Other particulars reported.

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						On Examination.	On Certificate.		
1. West Farms, N. Y.	Rev. M. T. ADAM,	Oct. 1, 1835.	12	7	1				Prospects of usefulness increasing.
2. New Orleans, Lou.	Rev. JOHN N. ALLEN,	Sept. 6, 1834.	9						
3. Rush Creek, and Baltimore, Fairfield Co. Ohio.	Rev. JAMES ANDERSON,	July 8, 1834.	12	2	2			500	Sabbath Schools, 100 scholars; 2 Bible Classes, 50. Need no further aid.
4. Olive, and vicinity, Morgan Co. Ohio.	Rev. JOHN ARTHUR,	May 1, 1836.	6						
5. Greensburg and South Church, Greensburg, N. Y.	Rev. HOSEA BALL,	April 1, 1835.	12	12	3	6		114	Tract Soc.; Bible Soc.; 2 Catech. and Bible Classes, 20 learners. Itinerating in Transylvania Presbytery.
6. Rock Spring, Pisgah, Monticello, and vicinity, Wayne Co. Ky.	Rev. JAMES C. BARNES,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	4				700	Bible Soc.; Tract and Miss. Socs.; Colonoization Soc.
7. Greenville and Mount Zion, Muhlenburg Co. Ky.	Rev. ISAAC BARD,	April 27, 1835.	12	12	4			400	Deceased, Sept. 1, 1835.
8. Rushville and vicinity, Rush Co. Ind.	Rev. THOMAS BARR,	Feb. 1, 1835.	12	4				650	Some hopeful conversions; Bible Classes, 13; Bible Soc.
9. Parma Centre, Monroe Co. N. Y.	Rev. CHANDLER BATES, (Reappointed.)	Nov. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	1	6	504	Catechetical Classes, 38 learners; prospects brightening.
10. Pisgah, Palestine, and Lawrenceville, Ind.	Rev. ISAAC BENNETT, (Reappointed.)	Oct. 13, 1834.	12	12	3	2	8	190	Bible Class, 13; some hopeful conversions.
11. Prince George County, Va.	Rev. SILAS BILLINGS,	April 1, 1835.	12	12				Temperance Soc.; S. School, 20 scholars.	
12. Leaksville, Spring Garden, Madison and Macedonia, Rock Co. N. C.	Rev. THOMPSON BIRD,	Aug. 1, 1835.	12	9	1	12	3		
13. Tygarts Valley, Randolph Co. Va.	Rev. JOHN S. BLAIN, (Reappointed.)	Nov. 29, 1834.	12	12		1		150	Bible and Tract Soc.; 2 Miss. Socs.; 2 Catech. and Bible Classes, 125 learners.
14. Plainfield, Essex Co. N. J.	Rev. LEWIS BOND, (Reappointed.)	Nov. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	8		105	Tract and Miss. Socs. House of worship erected and Church re-organized.
15. Farmington and Braceville, Ohio.	Rev. ENOCH BOURTON, (Reappointed.)	Sept. 17, 1834.	12	12	2		6	298	S. S. Scholars 125, teachers 20; Bible and Tract Socs.
16. Mount Pleasant, Wayne Co. Pa.	Rev. HENRY A. BOYCE,	April 1, 1835.	12	12	3		2		
17. Clinton, Hunterdon Co. N. J.	Rev. A. B. BRADFORD,	April 3, 1836.							



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18. Portersville, Butler Co. Pa.	REV. REID BRACKEN,	May 5, 1834.	12	1	1	60	1 Temp. Soc.; Aux. Miss. Soc. Labours greatly blessed in Mt. Horeb.
19. Winnsborough and Mount Horeb Churches, S. C.	REV. W. M. BREARLY,	Dec. 21, 1835.	12	4	1		\$65 raised for missions.
20. Middletown, Kingwood and Stewart's Run, Monongalia Co. Va.	REV. C. B. BAISTOL, (Reappointed.)	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	12	2	6	Church organized, and house of worship erected. 2 Bible and Tract and 1 Miss. Soc.
21. South Bend and vicinity, St. Joseph Co. In.	REV. ALFRED BRIANT,	Sept. 29, 1835.	12	7	1		S. School flourishing; Bible Class; about to erect a house of worship; 2 Temp. Soc.
22. Mount Freedom, Morris Co. N. J.	REV. JACOB BRIANT,	April 1, 1836.	12	1			See remarks on Agencies.
23. General Agent for Virginia and North Carolina.	REV. JAMES M. BROWN,	Sept. 14, 1834.	12	12			House of worship erected; Bible, Tract, and Miss Soc.; 2 churches organized. Need no further assistance.
24. Niles and vicinity, Berrien Co. Mich.	REV. ALEX. B. BROWN,	Feb. 23, 1835.	12	10½	1	2	No report.
25. Pocohontas County and vicinity, Va.	REV. JOSEPH BROWN,	Nov. 15, 1835.	12	5½			S. School of 50 scholars; Bible Class.
26. Robeson County, N. C.	REV. ARCHIBALD BUE,	March 1, 1835.	12	2	1	3	2 Bible Classes, 31 learners. Installed Pastor.
27. Fifth Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.	REV. JOHN BURTT,	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	6	1		No report.
28. Chesterfield Congregation, Va.	REV. ROBERT BURWELL,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	9			2 Temp. Soc.; 2 Bible Soc.; \$18 raised for missions.
29. Washington and Carlisle, Davies Co. Ind.	REV. CALVIN BUTLER,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	12	2	1	
30. Voluntary Agent for Clinton Presbytery, Miss.	REV. ZEBULON BUTLER,	April 25, 1836.					
31. Warrenton, Fauquier Co. Va.	REV. JOSHUA BUTTS,	Nov. 9, 1835.	12	5			240 3 Catech. and Bible Classes, 40. Will be supported by the church.
32. Greensburgh, Shelbyville, and St. Onor, Ind.	REV. WELLS BUSHNELL,	Dec. 1, 1835.	6	5	4	2	3 Temp. Soc.; Bible Class, 20; Sunday Schools prospering.
33. Anson County, N. C.	REV. JOHN CALDWELL,	Oct. 1835.	12	7			Under the special direction of Concord Presbytery.
34. Lovettsville and vicinity, Loudon County, Va.	REV. ALEX. W. CAMPBELL, (Reappointed.)	Dec. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	10	300 Miss. Soc.; Tract Soc.; Bible Class, 15.
35. Burlington County, N. J.	REV. BEN. H. CAMPBELL,	June 1, 1835.	3	3			
36. Danville and Timber Swamp, Warren Co. N. J.	REV. M. CARPENTER, (Reappointed.)	Nov. 1, 1834.	12	12	3	1	2 Catechetical Classes, 24; Temp. cause flourishing.
37. New Plymouth, Hocking Co. Ohio.	REV. MAURICE CAREY, (Reappointed.)	June 1, 1834.	12	4	1		100 Bible Soc.; Catech. and Bible Class, 18.

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38. Pickens and Fayette Counties, Alabama.	Rev. JAMES CARR,	Dec. 14, 1835.	12	5					No report.
39. Carrol and Salem, Kemper Co. Missi.	Rev. JAMES CAROTHERS,	June 1, 1834.	12	2	3			100	Require no further aid.
40. Franklin and Madison Counties, Geo.	Rev. H. C. CARTER,	April 25, 1836.	12						
41. To labour at discretion in Mich. Ind. and Ill.	Rev. SAMUEL CENTER,	April 25, 1836.	12						To receive no missionary compensation.
42. Cheanut, Halesford Union and Rocky Mount, Va.	Rev. GEO. C. CHESLEY.	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	12					No report.
43. Voluntary Agent in Mississippi Presbytery.	Rev. BENJAMIN CHASE.	April 25, 1836.							
44. Beallsville and Union, Monroe Co. Ohio.	Rev. THOS. M. CHESNUT,	April 15, 1835.	12	12	1	23		161	2 Catechetical and Bible Classes, 39 learners.
45. Attica Center, Genesee Co. N. Y.	Rev. JOHN CLARK,	Nov. 1, 1835.	12	6					No report.
46. Pleasant Valley, Logan Co. Ohio.	Rev. THOS. B. CLARK,	Oct. 1, 1835.	12				8	17	About to recommence the S. School.
47. Sidney, Shelby Co. Ohio.	Rev. SAM'L CLELAND, (Reappointed.)	Aug. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	6	5	40	Bible Soc.; Miss. and Temp. Soc.; Bible Class, 19 learners.
48. Elba and vicinity, Genesee Co. N. Y.	Rev. GEORGE COLTON,	Nov. 21, 1834.	12	6	4		3	250	Bible Soc.; Miss. Soc.; Bible Class, 20; \$15 raised for missions; S. School, 140.
49. Millerstown and Liverpool, Perry Co. Pa.	Rev. B. E. COLLINS,	May 11, 1835.	12		4			2	Temp. Soc.; Bible Class; S. Schools, 150.
50. Bethesda, Greenup Co. Ky. and Guyandotte, Va.	Rev. JOHN H. CONDRY,	Oct. 26, 1835.	12		1			100	3 Bible Classes, 60; Bible Soc. Tract and Miss. Soc.
51. Evans' Creek and Clark, Co-shocton Co. Ohio.	Rev. NATH. CONKLING,	June 6, 1835.	12	12		9	3	100	Arrangements making for the erection of two houses of worship.
52. Fayette County, Ky.	Rev. GEO. W. COONS,	Oct. 26, 1835.		6					Under the special direction of West Lexington Presbytery.
53. Lansing, Tompkin's Co. N. Y.	Rev. ALEX. M. COWAN, (Reappointed.)	March 1, 1835.	12	12	3		4	160	Bible, Tract and Educ. Soc.; 2 Miss. Soc.

	Dec. 7, 1834.	12	7	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	Removed to another field.
54. Apple Creek, Brezau and Cape Girardeau, Mo.	Rev JOHN F. COWAN,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Bible, Tract, Miss. and 3 Temp. Societies, 3 Cate. and Bible Classes, 35. Church organized at M.	
55. Fairview, Stillwater, Middletown, and Sharon, Ohio.	Rev SALMON COWLES, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
56. Cattaraugus County, N. Y.	Rev SYLVESTER COWLES,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
57. Kingston and New Troy, Luzerne Co. Pa.	Rev CHARLES C. CORSE, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
58. Perth Amboy, N. J.	Rev BENJAMIN COY, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
59. Hopewell and Clairbourne Churches, Sullivan Co. Ind.	Rev JAMES CRAWFORD,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
60. Oak Grove, Huntersville and Head of Greenbriar, Va.	Rev D. H. CUNNINGHAM,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
61. Lima, Allen Co. Ohio.	Rev JAS. CUNNINGHAM,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
62. Salem & Caney Fork churches, Ky.	Rev ALEX. R. CURRY,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
63. Hopewell, Mount Carmel, and Fine Creek, Powhattan, Co. Va.	Rev JOSEPH E. CURTIS, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
64. Valatie, Columbia Co. N. Y.	Rev DAVID CUSHING,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
65. General Agent for a part of the State of New York.	Rev JOHN K. DAVIS, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
66. Sullivan Co. New York.	Rev JONAS DENTON,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
67. Pleasant Forest, Lebanon and Cedar Grove, Knox Co. Tenn.	Rev SAMUEL H. DOAK,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
68. Upper Liberty, and Lower Liberty, Union Co. Ohio.	Rev BENJAMIN DOLBEAR, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
69. Concord Church, Fairfield District, S. C.	Rev JOHN DOUGLASS,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
70. Bradford County, Pa.	Rev ROBERT P. DUBOIS,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
71. Agent for the State of South Carolina.	Rev JULIUS J. DUBOIS,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
72. Greenland Church, Ohio.	Rev JAMES DUNLAP,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
73. Frankstown, Huntingdon Co. Pa.	Rev JOHN DUNLAP,	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	
74. Hackberry and Unitas, Blount Co. Tenn.	Rev JOHN DYKE, (Reappointed.)	12	12	12	12	16	17	2	9	2	4	1000	Supplies 2 churches and 5 stations. Need no further aid.	

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75. McConnellsville, Deerfield, and Meigs Creek, Morgan Co. Ohio.	Rev. WILLIAM EAKINS,	May 1, 1835.	12	12	1	6	3	100	House of worship erected; Bible, Tract, and Miss. Societies. 2 Cat. and Bible Classes.
76. Washington, Fayette Co. Ohio.	Rev. JOHN C. EASTMAN, (Reappointed.)	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	12	2	15	13	300	House of worship erected. 2 Cat. and Bible Classes, 65 learners; Bible, Tract, and Miss. Societies.
77. First Presbyterian Church, Howell, Monmouth Co. N. J.	Rev. JAMES T. ENGLISH,	Oct. 18, 1835.	12	6½	2			107	Bible Class, 20; Tract Soc.; Prospects encouraging.
78. North Saugamon, and Irish Grove, Saugamon Co. Ill. (Reappointed.)	Rev. ALEXANDER EWING,	Dec. 1, 1834	12	12	2	1	16	75	Church organized; house of worship erected; 2 Bible Socs.; 2 Bible classes.
79. New Hope, Orange Co. N. C.	Rev. GEO. W. FERRILL,	Aug. 24, 1835.	12	8	1	4		110	Cat. and Bible class, 20 learners.
80. Somerset, Jenner, and vicinity.	Rev. R. M. FINLEY,	Oct. 15, 1835.	12	6½	3	1		290	4 Temp. Societies; S. School, 20 teachers, 190 scholars.
81. Sinking Spring, West Liberty, and Belfast, Highland Co. Ohio.	Rev. JOHN FORBUSH,	Dec. 1, 1834.	12	8	3	1	19	75	Church organized; 3 Catechetical and Bible classes, 30; Tract Society.
82. High Rock and vicinity, Rockingham Co. N. C.	Rev. WM. P. FORREST,	May 11, 1835.	12	12	1				Church organized; 3 stations supplied.
83. Agent for the State of South Carolina.	Rev. MAL. D. FRAZER,	Sept. 15, 1835.	12	6					See remarks on Agencies.
84. Hall County, Georgia.	Rev. R. F. W. FREEMAN,	April 25, 1836.							Under the special direction of Hopewell Presbytery.
85. Pickaway Co. Ohio.	Rev. JOHN M. FULTON, (Reappointed.)	Oct. 20, 1834.	12	12	3	22	1	200	Supplies 1 congregation, and 4 miss. stations; house of worship erected; Miss. Society.
86. Williamsburgh and Grassy Run, Clermont Co. Ohio. (Reappointed.)	Rev. SAYRS GAZLAY,	Aug. 24, 1834.	12	12			4	149	Raised \$50 for Education cause.
87. Farmington, near Springfield, Ill.	Rev. THOMAS GALT,	March 26, 1835.	12	11	1				Has received a call from the Church.
88. Concord Presbytery, N. C.	Rev. T. GALLAUDET,	Oct. 2, 1835.	12	7					
89. Piegah and Union Churches, Morgan Co. Ill.	Rev. WM. G. GALLAHER,	Nov. 10, 1834.	12	7	4	5	16	40	S. Schools, 120 scholars; 3 Bible Classes. Ask no further aid.

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		Feb. 1, 1835.	3	7	6			
90. Middlesex and Matthews Co.'s Va.	Rev. D. R. GILMER,	Feb. 1, 1835.	12	7	6	1000	House of worship erected. Need no further aid.	
91. Somerville and New Providence, Morgan Co. Ala.	Rev. J. H. GILLESPIE,	Dec. 2, 1834.	12				Removed to another field.	
92. Eaton and Newcomb, Ohio.	Rev. P. H. GOLLADAY,	April 15, 1835.	12				No report.	
93. First Free Church, Lockport, N. Y.	Rev. F. W. GRAVES,	June 1, 1834.	12					
94. Hopewell & Batesville, Jackson Co. Ark.	Rev. DANIEL L. GRAY,	May 20, 1834.	12	1	2	160	Requires no further aid.	
95. Franklin Co. N. C.	Rev. JOSEPH J. GRAY,	March 1, 1835.	12	6	2	2	Bible Class 20 members; Temp. Society. Contribute to various benevolent Soc.	
96. Genito, Manokintown, Powhatan Co. Va.	Rev. JOHN A. GREYER, (Reappointed.)	Sept. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	1	Temp. Soc. Bible Class. House of worship erected.	
97. Middletown and vicinity, Butler Co. Ohio.	Rev. ALEXANDER GUY,	March 23, 1835.	12	10	2	13	Cate. and Bible Classes; Bible Soc.; 3 missionary stations supplied.	
98. Fifth Church, Baltimore, Maryland	Rev. SAMUEL GUTZAU,	April 25, 1836.	12					
99. Speedwell and Haw River, Rockingham Co. N. C.	Rev. JAMES D. HALL, (Reappointed.)	Dec. 1, 1834.	12	12	2	1	1622 Cate. and Bible Classes, 60 learners; 2 Miss. Societies.	
100. Deerfield, Warren Co. Pa.	Rev. GEO. H. HAMFSON,	May 1, 1835.	12	12	1	7	20 Region very destitute of Miss. labour.	
101. Bloomington, Monroe Co. Ind.	Rev. RANSOM HAWLEY, (Reappointed.)	June 23, 1834.	12	12	2	4	1453 Bible and Cate. Classes, 50 pupils; Bible Society.	
102. Towanda, Bradford Co. Pa.	Rev. OSCAR HARRIS, (Reappointed.)	Sept. 17, 1834.	12	12	1	1	100 Cate. and Bible Class, 25; Aux. Miss. Soc.; Church prospering.	
103. Burlington and Richmond, Boone Co. Ky.	Rev. J. C. HARRISON,	April 15, 1835.	12	12	1		150 Bible Soc.; Bible Class; \$20 raised for missions.	
104. Troy, Bradford Co. Pa.	Rev. D. HARROWAN,	May 12, 1835.	12	12	2		80 Cate. and Bible Class, 10 members.	
105. Evansburgh and North Bank, Crawford Co. Pa.	Rev. F. HASSINGER,	Dec. 1, 1834.	6	2			Education Soc.; 2 Bible Societies.	
106. Connelville, Indian Creek, and Fayette Furnace, Pa.	Rev. JOHN HAWKINS,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	8	2	4	4208 S. scholars 148, teachers 22; Cat. and Bible Classes, 30; Miss. and Ed. Soc.	
107. Elizabethtown and vicinity, Hardin Co. Ky.	Rev. ALFRED HAMILTON,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	9	3		2002 Bible Classes; Bible, Tract and Educ. Societies.	
108. Orwell, Rome, and Wyoost, Bradford Co. Pa.	Rev. SAM. HENDERSON,	Oct. 1, 1835.	12	7	2	4	96 Some hopeful conversions; collections for Miss. and Education Societies.	
109. Millersburgh and Stoner Mouth, Ky.	Rev. JOHN T. HENDRICK,	Dec. 1, 1835.	12	12	2	4	190 Bible Soc.; 2 Cate. and Bible Classes, 40 learners.	
110. Middlebury, Salem, and vicinity, Va.	Rev. GABRY HICKMAN,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	11	1	6	4 Miss. stations supplied; contribute to Miss. Tract, and Bible Societies.	

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111. Birmingham and Tuckey Hoe Valley, Pa.	Rev. SAMUEL HILL,	April 25, 1836.	12		1				Supplies 3 stations; about to erect a house of worship.
112. Greenbriar County, Va.	Rev. DANIEL H. HOGE,	July 1, 1835.	12	10	2	24		90	Contribute to Miss. Bible, and Education causes.
113. Beach Island Church, S. C.	Rev. ERASTUS HOPKINS,	May 1, 1835.	12	12	4	30	2	260	S. School cause advancing; Bible Classes 70; Bible and Tract Societies.
114. Bloomsburgh, New Columbia, Briar Creek, and Orangeville, Pa.	Rev. JOHN P. HUDSON, (Reappointed.)	Nov. 25, 1834.	12	12	2				2 Cat. and Bible Classes, 4 Bible, 2 Miss. 2 Educa. and 2 Temp. Societies.
115. Perryville and Lake Fork Cross Roads, Ohio.	Rev. WILLIAM HUGHES,	Dec. 16, 1835.	12	4½	1	6	18	1000	Bible, Tract, Missionary, Education, and Temp. Societies.
116. La Fayette, Tippecanoe Co. Ind.	Rev. MICHAEL HUMMER, (Reappointed.)	Dec. 16, 1834.	12	12	4				House of worship erected; 4 stations supplied.
117. Almond and vicinity, Alleghany Co. N. Y.	Rev. MOSES HUNTER,	May 1, 1835.	12	12	2	1	4		Bible Soc.; Miss. Soc.; 5 Temp. Societies.
118. Wilmington and vicinity, Clinton Co. Ohio.	Rev. JOSEPH T. IRWIN, (Reappointed.)	Dec. 2, 1834.	32	12	2	1	1		Church of N. strengthened and increasing.
119. Eaton and Newcomb, Preble Co. Ohio.	Rev. ROBERT IRWIN,	Nov. 25, 1835.	6	5					About to build a house of worship.
120. Pittsylvania County, Va.	Rev. M. W. JACKSON,	Feb. 1, 1836.	12	3	2	3	4	24	Bible Society. Cat. and Bible Class, 20 members. Colonization Society.
121. Hopkinsville and Sinking Spring, Ky.	Rev. WILLIAM D. JONES,	June 1, 1834.	12	2					Under special direction of Huntington Presbytery.
122. Vacancies in Huntington Presbytery, Pa.	Rev. — KEATING,	Nov. 1, 1835.	6	6					House of Worship erected. Church organized. Temperance Society.
123. Peoria, Peoria Co. Illinois.	Rev. ISAAC KELLAR,	July 15, 1835.	12	9½		1	6		Cate. and Bible Class. Temp. Soc.
124. Cheviotte, Hamilton county, Ohio.	Rev. FRED. A. KEMPER,	June 1, 1835.	12	11		1	3		2 Education Societies; 2 Temp. Societies; Raised for Missions, \$30.
125. Greenfield and Sugar Creek, Shelby Co. Indiana.	Rev. ELIPHALET KENT,	Nov. 1, 1835.	12	6	2	2	1	130	

126. Warren and vicinity, Bradford Co. Pa. (Reappointed.)	Rev. SALMON KING,	May 21, 1855.	12	1	4	120 Tract Soc'y; Missionary Soc'y; Cate. and Bible Class 15.
127. General Agent for the Synod of New Jersey.	Rev. SHEP. K. KOLLOCK.	Oct. 10, 1834.	12			See remarks on the subject of Agencies.
128. Agent for the Synods of Ohio and Indiana.	Rev. JOSEPH LABAREE,	Jan. 15, 1835.	6	2½		
129. Waynesburgh, Chester Co. Penn.	Rev. Wm. LATTA, Jr.	April 25, 1836.	12			
130. Orangeburgh, S. C.	Rev. J. S. K. LEGARE,	March 1, 1835.	12	1	8	10 Church organized; House of Worship
131. Lawrenceville and vicinity, (near Pittsburgh) Pa. (Reappointed.)	Rev. RICHARD LEE,	May 2, 1836.	12			
132. Bethany & Livingston, Caldwell Co. Ky.	Rev. ROBERT H. LILLY,	Sept. 23, 1834.	12	6	4	4 150 2 Bible Societies; 2 Temp. Societies; Require no further aid.
133. Lower Brandywine and Dupont's Mills, Del. (Reappointed.)	Rev. THOMAS LOVE,	April 1, 1835.	12	12	3	1 9 200 2 Miss. Societies; S. S. 258; Raised for Missions, \$41.
134. Freetown Corners, Cortland Co. N. Y.	Rev. ELIAZER LUCE,	June 16, 1834.	12	2	2	2 Church increased.
135. Birmingham and Concord, (near Pittsburgh) Pa.	Rev. JAMES J. MARKS,	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	9	2	16 Collections for Miss. & Bible Societies; Prospect of a flourishing Cong'n at C.
136. Kaskaskia, Elk Horn, Sagor Creek, Illinois.	Rev. JOHN MATTHEWS,	May 19, 1835.	12	12	4	2 100 3 Aux. Miss. Societies; 2 Bible Societies, \$21.50 raised for Missions.
137. Millville, Cumberland Co. N. J.	Rev. DAN'L E. MANTON,	Jan. 1, 1836.	3	3	1	240 Bible Class 15; S. S. scholars, 50.
138. Unionville, Chester Co. Pa.	Rev. DAVID M'CARTER,	Jan. 1, 1836.	6	4		
139. Woodsville & Malaga, Monroe Co. Ohio.	Rev. A. M'CANDLESS,	April 1, 1835.	12	12	9	5 Expect soon to organize a Church in U. 2 Temp. Societies; Bible Soc.
140. Smithfield, Bradford Co. Pa.	Rev. SAM'L M'CLUNG,	Oct. 20, 1835.	12	6	1	200 S. S. scholars, 50; teachers, 7; Bible Class, 18; Miss. Soc.
141. Upper and Lower Mount Bethel, Northampton Co. Pa.	Rev. JOHN M'COLLAUGH,	Oct. 13, 1835.	6	6	5	100 Tract Society; 4 Catech. and Bible Classes; Revival; House of Worship in progress.
142. Allentown & Durham, Lehigh Co. Pa.	Rev. JOSEPH M'COOL,	May 20, 1834.	12	1	2	43 Bible Class, 13 members; About to organize a Church at D.
143. 1st and 2d Churches, Still Water, Sussex Co. N. J. (Reappointed.)	Rev. THOS. M'DERMOTT,	Nov. 12, 1834.	12	12	2	1 94 House of Worship erected; Bible and Tract Societies.
144. Cumberland & vicinity, Alleghany Co. Md. (Reappointed.)	Rev. SAM. H. M'DONALD,	Nov. 17, 1834.	12	9	1	4 Stations supplied; Bible Soc.; Tract and Temp. Soc.; 3 Bible Classes.
145. Morgantown and vicinity, Monongalia Co. Va.	Rev. JAS. M'DUGALL,	June 1, 1835.	12	7	1	8 250 Removed to another field at the end of 7 months.

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146. Pingah, Chesterfield District, S. C.	Rev. Jno. J. M'Farland,	Feb. 8, 1836.	12	3					
147. Blacksburg and Giles C. H., Montgomery Co. Va.	Rev. DUGALD M'INTYRE, (Reappointed.)	Sept. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	11		600	3 Temp. Societies; S. S. scholars, 65.
148. Voluntary Agent in N. Carolina, S. Carolina, & Georgia.	Rev. JOHN M'INTYRE,	Sept. 14, 1835.							
149. Murfreesborough and vicinity, Hertford Co. N. C.	Rev. JOHN R. M'INTOSH,	March 1, 1835.	12	11	1				House of Worship erected; Temp. Soc.
150. 1st African Church, Baltimore Md.	Rev. WM. M'JIMSEY,	March 1, 1835.	9	8	1				S. School, 100.
151. Pike, Bradford Co. Pa.	Rev. D. D. M'KEE,	April 95, 1836.	2						
152. Brookfield and Hubbard, Trumbull Co. Ohio.	Rev. SAM'L A. M'LEAN,	Oct. 26, 1835.	12	6			1	76	Bible, Tract and Missionary Societies; Catech. and Bible Class.
153. Cumberland County, N. J.	Rev. R. B. M'MULLEN,	April 25, 1836,	2		2	5		200	3 Bible Classes; Temp. cause flourishing.
154. New Shiloh, Mount Zion & West Bethel, Tenn.	Rev. ALEX. G. M'NUTT, (Reappointed.)	Aug. 1, 1834.	12						Church organized and House of Worship erected.
155. Third Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va.	Rev. ALEX. A. MEBANE, (Reappointed.)	Jan. 1, 1835.	12	12	1	29	4		Will require no Missionary aid.
156. Connorsville & Brownsville, Indiana.	Rev. JOHN A. MEEKS,	Nov. 25, 1835.	12	5					
157. New Lexington, New Providence and Winchester, Preble Co. Ohio.	Rev. SAM'L J. MILLER,	April 1, 1835.	12	12	1	4	3	130	Bible Society; 3 Miss. Societies; Cate. and Bible Class, 30; House of Worship erected.
158. Franklin & Hopewell, Johnson Co. Indiana.	Rev. DAVID MONFORT, (Reappointed.)	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	12	2		5	300	2 Houses of Worship in progress; Bible Soc.; 2 Miss. Socas.
159. Mad River and Bethel Churches, Ohio.	Rev. PETER MONFORT,	Nov. 16, 1835.	12	5½					No Report.
160. Port William, Gallatin Co. Ky., and Vevay, Indiana.	Rev. WM. J. MONTEITH,	Oct. 14, 1835.	12	6	2			200	Bible Class, 12 members; S. Schools, 55.
161. Paria, Edgar Co. and Bethel, Coles Co. Illinois.	Rev. JOHN MONTGOMERY,	May 27, 1835.	12	12	2	1	2	130	Church organized; Bible Soc.; 2 Tract Socas.; Miss. Soc.



162	Cass and Cobb Counties, Ga.	Rev. R. J. MONTGOMERY,	April 25, 1836.	12	12	1	1	2	Under direction of Hopewell Presbytery. Cate. and Bible Class; S. School, 30. House of worship nearly completed.
163	Little Rock, Arkansas.	Rev. JAMES W. MOORE,	Nov. 8, 1834.	12	12	1	1	2	
		(Reappointed.)							
164	Union, Carroll County, Ohio.	Rev. SAMUEL MOODY,	Oct. 15, 1835.	12	6½	1	9	5	35
165	New Philadelphia, Dover, Sandusky, and Bolivar, Ohio.	Rev. JAMES B. MORROW,	Sept. 1, 1834.	12	12	1			350 Bible, Miss. and Education Societies; House of worship in progress.
		(Reappointed.)							
166	Ebenezer, Madison Co. Ala.	Rev. THOMAS MORROW,	July 1, 1835.	12	4	1	5		Resigned at the end of four months. Tract distribution; Sunday School promising.
167	Germanatown, Pa.	Rev. Wm. NEILL, D. D.	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	6	24	Church organized; 2 Catechetical and Bible Classes.
		(Reappointed.)							
168	Greenville, Mount Pleasant, Union, and Harrison, Dark County, Ohio.	Rev. ISAAC A. OGDEN,	May 19, 1835.	6	6				
169	Chatham, Columbia Co. N. Y.	Rev. JOEL OSBORNE,	April 1, 1835.	12	9		4	1	Bible Class; Bible Soc.; Tracts distributed.
170	Providence, and Falls, Susquehannah Co. Pa.	Rev. THOMAS OWEN,	Oct. 1, 1835.	12	7				Expect to organize a church in Providence.
171	Yates and Somerset, Orleans Co. N. Y.	Rev. DAVID PAGE,	Dec. 1, 1834.	12	8	4			610 Bible Classes, 38; Miss. Soc.; removed to another field.
172	Rural Valley, and Crooked Creek, Armstrong Co. Pa.	Rev. JOSEPH PAINTER,	Jan. 1, 1836.	12	4	2			Church organized in Rural Valley. Cate. and Bible Class.
173	Princeton, Gibson Co. Ind.	Rev. HUGH PATTON,	Jan. 1, 1836.	12	4	1			50 Bible Soc. Cat. and Bible Class. Miss. Soc. See remarks under head of Agencies.
174	General Agent for the Synod of Pittsburgh and vicinity, Pa.	Rev. A. O. PATTERSON,	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	12				
175	Poundridge, West Chester Co. N. Y.	Rev. Wm. PATTERSON,	July 1, 1835.	12	10	1		1	250 3 Cat. and Bible Classes, 45; S. S. teachers, 12, scholars, 100; Tract Soc.; 2 Miss. Societies.
176	Fairfield, Orange Co., and Roxboro', Person Co. N. C.	Rev. SAMUEL PAISLEY,	Sept. 1, 1834.	12	5	1	2	1	Temp. Soc. Educa. and Miss. Societies at Fairfield.
177	Clearfield, Pike, and Bready, Pa.	Rev. JAMES B. PAYNE,	Nov. 15, 1835.	12	5½	2			40 S. S. teachers, 10; scholars, 60.
178	Pittsborough, N. C.	Rev. JAMES PHILLIPS,	June 1, 1835.	12	11				Labours only occasional.
179	Yellow Chapel, Grove, and Union Chapel, Fauquier Co. Va.	Rev. JAMES W. PHILLIPS,	Dec. 18, 1834.	12	17	1	1	2	Tract and Education Societies; \$40 for the Bible Society.
		(Reappointed.)							
180	Lexington, Davidson Co. N. C.	Rev. PHILIP PIERSON,	May 7, 1834.	12		1			70 Bible Society, and Bible Class, 25.
181	Bethany Centre, Genesee Co. N. Y.	Rev. JOSIAH PIERSON,	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	8	2		9	800 Bible and Tract Soc.; 2 Miss. Soc., and 1 Education Society.
182	Muskingum, Stillwell, and Dresden, Muskingum Co. Ohio.	Rev. JOHN PITKIN,	June 23, 1834.	12	12	1	4		200 Bible Soc. \$24 raised for missions. 2 Temp. Societies.
		(Reappointed.)							

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183. Northampton and Edinburgh, Montgomery Co. N. Y.	Rev. BENJ. H. PYTMAN, (Reappointed.)	May 1, 1835.	12	12	2	1	4		Temp. Soc.; Bible Class, 82 members; Bible Soc.
184. Washington, Guernsey Co. Ohio.	Rev. DAVID POLK.	July 1, 1835.	12	9	1	16			S. School, 150; Bible Class; House of worship erected; Temp. cause flourishing.
185. Williamsport, and Maple Creek, Washington Co. Pa.	Rev. Geo. D. PORTER,	Oct. 15, 1835.	12	6½	1	3		240	About to erect a House of worship; raised for missions \$22; Bible Class.
186. Agent for South Carolina.	Rev. URIAH POWERS,	Jan. 26, 1835.	12						No report.
187. Monroe and Sheffield, Ash Co. Ohio.	Rev. DAVID PRATT,	July 7, 1834.	12	3	5		4	127	Bible Class; \$20 contributed for missions.
188. Wyalusing and Terrytown Bradford Co. Pa.	Rev. GEORGE PRINZ,	May 7, 1835.	12	12	3	2		115	Bible Soc.; Miss. Soc.; 2 Catech. and Bible Classes.
189. Dillsburgh and Petersburg, York Co. Pa.	Rev. A. B. QUAY, (Reappointed.)	April 4, 1835.	12	12	1	7	5	171	Catech. and Bible Class.
190. Huntingdon, Brown Co. Ohio.	Rev. ROBERT H. RANKIN, (Reappointed.)	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	12				53	Has been installed Pastor of the Church.
191. Alleghany County, Md. and Hampshire Co. Va.	Rev. M. RAYMOND, (Reappointed.)	May 29, 1834.	12	1	7				Supplied 5 Congregations.
192. Spencer, Owen County, Indiana.	Rev. ISAAC REED,	Dec. 1, 1834.	12	5					Temp. Soc.; Catech. and Bible Class.
193. Sandy Creek, Spring Hill, Petersburg and vicinity, Fayette Co. Pa.	Rev. SAMUEL REED,	May 2, 1836.	12						
194. Alden, Erie Co. N. Y.	Rev. JAMES REMINGTON, (Reappointed.)	July 1, 1834.	12	12	2		2	250	Bible, Tract and Miss. Socs. Raised for missions \$20.
195. East Constable, Franklin Co. N. Y.	Rev. TERNUS KEYNOLLS, (Reappointed.)	June 1, 1834.	12	12	1		3	200	Bible Class, 30; Tract Soc.
196. Fallstown, Monroe and Windham, Luzerne Co. Pa.	Rev. JOHN RHODES, (Reappointed.)	Oct. 1, 1834.	12	12	4	2	20	60	Church organized; S. S. teachers 24, scholars 120.
197. Pennsylvania Run, Jefferson-town and Little Flock, Ky.	Rev. WILLIAM B. RICE,	Oct. 1, 1835.	12	7	1	2	1	60	Missionary Society.

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198. Eighth Avenue Church, New York, N. Y.	Rev. HENRY A. RILEY, (Reappointed.)	April 1, 1835.	12	12					Removed to another field.
199. Leakeville and vicinity, Orange Co. N. C.	Rev. DANIEL L. RUSSELL,	March 2, 1835.	12	12					
200. Stockport, Glencadee, and Springville, Columbia Co. N. Y.	Rev. ALDEN SCOVEL,	April 4, 1835.	12	12	4	4	5	300	Tract Soc.; Miss. Soc.; S. School, 300.
201. Vacancies in Albany Presbytery, N. Y.	Rev. RUBEN SEARS,	May 1, 1836.	6						Special direction of Albany Presbytery.
202. First Church, Middletown Point, Monmouth Co. N. J.	Rev. JOSEPH L. SHAFER,	June 1, 1835.	12	10	4	1	3	42	Tract Soc.; Miss. Association; S. School 120.
203. Newton, Brush Creek and Blue Rock, Muskingum Co. Ohio.	Rev. JAMES C. SHARON, (Reappointed.)	Nov. 1, 1835.	12	7	3				3 Bible Classes; Temp. Soc., called to be their pastor.
204. Pleasant Prairie Church, Ill.	Rev. JAMES H. SHIELDS,	Sept. 1, 1834.	12	5					Not heard from since appointed.
205. Fifth Church, Baltimore, Md.	Rev. T. P. C. SHELLMAN,	Feb. 5, 1835.	6	2					Temporary supply; left after 4 mos.
206. Muncy, Lycoming Co. Pa.	Rev. S. S. SHEDDEN,	May 2, 1836.	12						
207. Washington, Bethany and Bethel, Marion Co. Ind.	Rev. WILLIAM SICKELS,	Feb. 1, 1835.	12	12			5	45	Bible Class, 20; Miss. Soc.
208. Lewistown, Fulton Co. Ill.	Rev. GEORGE G. SILL,	May 4, 1835.	12	9		2	4		Erecting a House of worship; Church organized; Bible and Temp. Socs.
209. Union, McNairy Co. Aimwell and Bethel, Madison Co. Tenn.	Rev. JOHN L. SLOAN,	May 1, 1835.	12	12					No report.
210. General Agent for Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana,	Rev. JAMES L. SLOSS,	April 25, 1836.							
211. Southampton County, Virginia.	Rev. ARISTIDES S. SMITH,	March 1, 1835.	12	7					Under the special direction of E. H. Presbytery.
212. Corinth, Saratoga Co. N. Y.	Rev. HENRY SMITH,	May 1, 1835.	12	12	1	13	3		House of worship erected; 2 Temp. Socs.; Bible Soc.
213. Perryville & Bethel Union, Ky.	Rev. JAMES T. SMITH,	June 30, 1834.	22	3					Sunday School, Tract, Colon., Temp. and Educ. Socs.
214. Bethel and Lewisville, Henry Co. Ind.	Rev. DAVID V. SMOCK,	Aug. 1, 1835.	12	9	2	1	15	120	Catech. and Bible Class, 15; S. School, 100.
215. Brownsville & Orleans, New York.	Rev. E. H. SNOWDEN, (Reappointed.)	July 1, 1834.	12	12	5	3	13	500-2	Catech. and 1 Bible Class, 50 learners; 2 Bible, Tract, Miss. and Educ. Socs.
216. Sussex C. H. Chapel Hill and Spring Hill, Sussex Co. Va.	Rev. JOHN B. STOTSWOOD,	Oct. 1, 1835	12	7	3	5		100	House of worship erected; Tract Soc.; Miss. Soc.

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217. Sherman and Constantine, St. Joseph's Co. Mich.	Rev. ADIN STANLEY,	Jan. 1, 1836.	12	4	2			50	Revival in progress in Sherman. Expect soon to form a Church.
218. Durhamville and Ridgeville, Oneida Co. N. Y.	Rev. LOT B. SULLIVAN,	Nov. 26, 1834.	12	5	2			570	Removed to another field at the end of 8 months.
219. Columbia, Lancaster County, Pa.	Rev. JOHN H. SYMMES,	Nov. 11, 1834.	12	7	2	2	7	150	Bible, Tract, Miss., Temp., and Coloniz. Soc's. Require no further aid.
220. Esperance, Schoharie Co. N. Y.	Rev. C. D. W. TAPPAN,	July 15, 1834.	12	3½	2	1	1	337	1 Catech. and 2 Bible Classes. Aux. Miss. Soc.
221. Johnstown and Armagh, Pa.	Rev. S. H. TERRY,	May 1, 1835.	12	12	1	21	24	502	Bible Classes, 60 learners. House of Worship erected.
222. Poundridge, West Chester Co. N. Y.	Rev. ROBT G. THOMPSON,	July 29, 1834.	12	3	1			144	Removed to another field.
223. Tunkhannock and Northmoreland, Luzerne Co. Pa.	Rev. ISAAC TODD, (Reappointed.)	Jan. 17, 1835.	12	12	2	3		264	Missionary Society. Collection for Education Soc. 2 Catech. & Bible Classes.
224. Lexington and Pleasant Hill, Richland Co. Ohio.	Rev. ADAM TORRENCE, (Reappointed.)	July 1, 1834.	12	12	2	14	18	300	Catech. & Bible Classes, 50. S. S. Scholars 80, Teachers, 14. \$25 for Miss.
225. Baker's Creek and Pleasant Forest, Knox Co. Tenn.	Rev. ANDREW VANCE,	Feb. 8, 1836.	12	3	3			2	Temperance Societies. Bible Society, Bible Class.
226. Findley, Liberty, and Portage, Hancock Co. Ohio.	Rev. GEORGE VANEMAN,	Oct. 1, 1835.	12	7		3	10	117	Church organized. Expect to erect a House of Worship at L. Bible Soc.
227. Freeport, Harrison County, Ohio.	Rev. WM. WALLACE,	April 1, 1835.	12	11		7			Temperance cause progressing.
228. Russellville, Logan County, Kentucky.	Rev. BENJ. J. WALLACE, (Reappointed.)	Sept. 1, 1834.	12	12	1	6	2	150	Interesting revival; 30 hopeful conversions. Bible Soc. Colonization Soc.
229. Knox, Albany County, N. Y.	Rev. ISAAH WATERS, (Reappointed.)	Jan. 3, 1835.	12	12	4		2	278	Bible Soc. Tract Soc. Sunday School Teachers, 30. Scholars, 175.
230. Halifax and vicinity, Halifax Co. N. C.	Rev. A. L. WATTS,	Feb. 1, 1835.	12	10					Not heard from since appointed.
231. New Kent and vicinity, Va.	Rev. JOHN S. WATT,	Feb. 1, 1836.	12	3					Church organized at Mauch Chunk.
232. Mauch Chunk, South Easton, and vicinity, Northampton County, Pa.	Rev. RICHARD WEBSTER,	Oct. 11, 1835.	12	6	3	29	6		Sunday School, 134. 1 Catech. and 2 Bible Classes. Temperance Soc.

233. First Presbyterian Church, Castile, N. Y.	Rev. JAMES B. WILCOX,	June 23, 1834.	12	3					Bible & Tract Societies; 2 Missionary Societies; 2 Temperance Societies.
234. Randolph, Richmond, and Woodcock, Crawford Co. Pa.	Rev. JAMES G. WILSON,	Dec. 1, 1834.	12	8	1	2	30		Bible Class, 8 members; 2 Temperance Societies.
235. Woodstock and Strasburgh, Shenandoah Co. Va.	Rev. LEWIS F. WILSON,	Oct. 16, 1835.	12	6½	4	2	200		House of Worship erected. 4 Catech. and Bible Classes. Collections for Tracts, Missions, and Education Societies.
236. Burlington, Lawrence Co. Ohio.	Rev. SAM'L M. WILSON,	April 18, 1836.	12						
237. Wake Tomika, Coshocton Co. Ohio.	Rev. JACOB WOLFF,	Aug. 1, 1835.	12	9					5 Catechetical & Bible Classes, 50 members.
238. Sykesville, Taneytown and vicinity, Md.	Rev. J. WOODBRIDGE, (Reappointed.)	April 27, 1835.	12	8½	3	2			House of Worship commenced at S. Expect soon to organize a Church at S. 2 Temperance Societies.
239. Milton, Saratoga Co. N. Y.	Rev. WORTH'N WRIGHT, (Reappointed.)	June 1, 1835.	12	12	2		5	105	Bible and Tract Societies. 2 Missionary Societies.
240. White Plains, West Chester, Co. N. Y.	Rev. EDWARD WRIGHT,	Nov. 1, 1835.	12	6	1				2 Catechetical and Bible Classes. Collections for Bible, Tract, Missionary, and Education Societies.
241. La Fayette, Ray, and Clay Counties, Mo.	Rev. JOHN L. YANTIS,	Oct. 19, 1835.	12	6	2		12	1000	Bible Class, 15 to 30 members. Removed to another field.
242. Stillfork, Sandy, and Bethle-hem, Ohio.	Rev. JAMES M. ZANE,	Oct. 26, 1835.	12	6					No Report.

From the preceding table it appears, that the number of *Missionaries* and *Agents*, employed or aided by the Board during the past year has been *two hundred and forty-two*,\* and the number of *Congregations*, and *Missionary Districts* which have received aid, in the support of Gospel ordinances, is nearly five hundred. Of the *Missionaries* and *Agents* enumerated, one hundred and thirty-one were in commission at the commencement of the year, and one hundred and eleven have been commissioned since. This is a small *INCREASE* since the last year. In the number, commissioned during the year, there has been an increase over the number commissioned the last year, of thirty-two. In the whole number of *Missionaries* an increase of eighteen.

Your *Missionaries* have laboured, either as *pastors* or *stated supplies*, in twenty of our states and territories, and the amount of ministerial labour performed, has been equal to one hundred and forty-seven years.

The Board have not been able to secure full reports from all their *Missionaries*. From the reports received, and from other sources of information, the following results are stated.

The number of members added to the Churches has been, on examination, about eight hundred and fifty; on certificate, twelve hundred; total, two thousand and fifty.

About twenty new Churches have been formed, and from forty, to fifty houses of worship have been erected.

The number of Sabbath Schools is about *four hundred*, employing nearly *two thousand* teachers, and containing over *fifteen thousand* children.

About *two hundred and fifty* classes for biblical and catechetical instruction have been sustained, containing more than *four thousand* learners.

About *three hundred* Temperance Societies have been reported, containing not less than *thirty thousand* members.

In all the leading benevolent operations of the day, your *Missionaries* have taken a deep, and lively interest, and sums to a considerable amount have been reported, as collected on *Missionary* ground for aiding in the circulation of the Bible, and religious Tracts; for Sabbath Schools, and for sending the Gospel to the destitute both in our own land, and in heathen lands.

\* This was the whole number of *Missionaries* in commission when the report was adopted by the Board. At the meeting of the Committee on the Monday following, *eight* new appointments were made, making the number when the report was read to the Assembly, *two hundred and fifty*.

The monthly concert for prayer, weekly lectures, and weekly prayer meetings, have very generally been established and kept up, wherever it has been practicable.

The severely cold weather of the last winter, and the very frequent and deep snows, in many places have seriously interrupted ministerial labour, and have broken up for a time such meetings.

The Board record with gratitude the fact, that as far as they have been able to ascertain, no complaint has been brought against any of your Missionaries of a departure, either in doctrine or practice, from the truth, and order of the Gospel. In regard to most of them, we have good evidence that they have been faithful to their solemn and important trust, preaching the Gospel in its simplicity and purity, labouring diligently in their appropriate work, seeking, in the use of all Scriptural means, the conversion of souls to God, and maintaining a deportment becoming the Gospel of Christ.

In view of the facts stated, the Board feel there is cause for gratitude to God, for the good which has been accomplished, and ample encouragement for the more diligent prosecution of our work. Great good has been accomplished. To the poor the Gospel has been preached, many thousands of families, by this charity of the Church, have been blessed with the ministry, God's appointed ordinance, for their instruction, their sanctification, and salvation.

Thousands of the children and youth of our country, have been rescued from idleness and sin, have been collected in Sabbath Schools, and Bible Classes, and there taught to reverence God's day, to read God's word, and to devote themselves, body and soul, to God's service. Tens of thousands have been banded together by the temperance pledge, to shun the fell destroyer themselves, and do what they can to banish intemperance from our land, and from the world. Thousands of God's dear people, scattered through our land, have been instructed, and edified, and comforted, and lead onward in their heavenward course. A vast amount of precious seed has been sown, and moistened by the dews and rains of heaven, some of this seed has already taken root, and is bearing precious fruit; and in due time, from the seed sown, with the divine blessing, we may confidently hope for a rich harvest, which will be "to the praise of the glory of the grace of our covenant Jehovah." In view of these, and other things which might be mentioned, we are called upon to thank God, and take courage.

But while there is much for which to be thankful, and every thing to encourage us in our noble work, the Board feel, and in h feteorfs God would express their feeling to the Assembly, and to the Churches,

that the reports from our Missionaries, furnish matter for deep humiliation, and should bring us to our knees, and on our faces before God. During the year, we have had in the field a larger number of Missionaries than we had the last year; and among the number, sent out by your Board during the present year, are some choice spirits, some precious, devoted men of God, and from the best information your Board have been able to obtain, your Missionaries have been devoted to their work. And yet, as far as we have been able to collect them, the results have been less than they were the last year. And why is this? Every Minister, and every Christian, with deep interest should put the question, "Why is this? What is the cause, that comparatively so little fruit has resulted from so much patient, self-denying labour." And may we not extend the inquiry farther? Why so much apathy in the Churches generally? Why so little fruit? On inquiry it will be found we believe, that in this matter our Missionaries have not fared worse than their brethren in Churches, that have needed no missionary aid. May we not find a reason, and a sufficient reason for this state of things, in the abounding of a worldly spirit, that canker of the Church, and the weakness, or the want of the spirit of prayer in the Churches? And are not the Churches called upon, in view of the alarming fact we have noticed, deeply to humble themselves before God, and by importunate prayer, seek his blessing on the means of his own appointment.

The Board advert to the fact, with *this object* in view, that *they* may feel, and the *Churches* may feel with them, the imperative call there is, for more of the spirit of humble, importunate prayer. Let it be deeply impressed on our hearts, that whoever may plant, or water, the increase is all of God; and that for this increase, he will be inquired of by his people, that he may prosper them in their work. Let this precious cause then, the men who are appointed to manage it, and the Missionaries who are in the field, have an interest in the daily supplications of God's people.

## STATE OF THE TREASURY.

Balance in the Treasury, per Report of last year,	-	\$ 228 67
Cash received from Legacies,	- - - -	2512 50
Cash received from Subscriptions, Collections, Donations, &c.	- - - - -	27,344 47½
Total,		<u>\$30,085 64½</u>



*Disbursed*

For incidental Expenses, including rent of Office, Postage, Fuel, Stationary, Printing, Clerk's hire, &c. - - - - -	1457 99
Paid Note in the Bank, - - - - -	2000 00
For Salary, and travelling Expenses of the Corres- ponding Secretary, and of the Assistant Secre- tary, and General Agent,* - - - - -	2751 43
For payment of Missionary Labour and Agencies, -	22,630 68
Balance on hand,	1245 54½
Total,	<u>\$30,085 64½</u>

The above Report of the state of our Treasury, while it furnishes matter for devout thanksgiving to God, "whose is the silver, and the gold," affords cheering evidence of both the ability, and the disposition in the Churches to sustain this great cause, and is a guarantee to the Board, that in the wise and faithful discharge of their trust, they will not want for means to carry forward their work. It is well known, in years past, this Board has had to struggle with serious difficulties arising from pecuniary embarrassments. It was confidently said and believed, that it was a bankrupt concern, and must fail for want of support; and this impression, extensively made, had its influence in leading even some of the friends of the Board to withhold altogether, or to give cautiously, and sparingly. For several years, notwithstanding the noble liberality of a few devoted friends, the Board had to report the concern deeply in debt. The last year, they were permitted to say, their debt was nearly extinguished—now it is our privilege to report, that, during the year, the Board have paid the last cent of their debt—amounting at the commencement of the year to \$2000. They have paid all arrearages of the last year; amounting to over \$2000, more. They have met every draft, as it became due. They have settled up to the present date, and are permitted to report a balance, with which to commence the operations of the next year; and this important result, under God, has been effected by the perfectly free, voluntary, liberality of the Churches. The Board wish here, as a just tribute to the Churches, and for the encouragement of the friends of this cause to record the fact, that no special effort has been made during the year

\* This item includes about \$300, due the Secretary for last years salary—and paid this year.

to raise funds. Many of the Churches have been visited, and the cause brought before them, but no importunity has been used—what has come into the Treasury, has come most freely; and with no ordinary feelings of gratitude, the Board can now say to the Churches, you have relieved us from all pecuniary embarrassment, and we are prepared to prosecute the work you have committed to us with new vigour, and to the full extent of our ability meet, promptly, every proper demand made upon us.

And, while we pay this just tribute to the prompt liberality of the Churches during the past year, we would ask, not only that the same liberality be continued—we venture to ask, that it be increased; and from past experience we feel assured, while the Board act wisely, and faithfully do their duty, the Churches will not be backward. We have arrived at a most important period in our history—relieved from embarrassment—the demands upon your Board will be greatly increased. Already have large engagements been made for the ensuing year, to meet which, will require a considerable increase of funds; and new, and most promising fields for missionary labours—particularly in the south-west and west, are presenting strong claims, and calling upon the Board to double their efforts. Let the Churches come up promptly and efficiently to our aid, and with the blessing of God, at the close of the year, a Report may be rendered which will gladden every Christian heart, and call forth our loudest praises to the God of salvation.

#### AGENCIES.

In this important department of our work, but few changes have been made since we last reported. Wherever it has been practicable, the same Agents have been retained, and in the same fields. And notwithstanding the Board have made every possible effort to obtain good Agents, wherever they were needed and desired by the Churches, in regard to large and important portions of the field, they have not yet succeeded. They hope, however, to be able very soon to supply this deficiency.

We proceed to give a brief account of the Agencies we have employed—their respective fields—and the labours they have performed.

The Rev. *A. O. Patterson*, at the commencement of the year, was re-appointed to the same field he occupied the last year. His agency includes the Synod of Pittsburgh, and the three western Presbyteries of the Synod of Philadelphia. This is a wide and most important field—embracing a large extent of territory, and nearly or quite three hundred

and fifty Presbyterian Churches. That the Assembly and the Churches may know what their DEVOTED Agents are doing, we will give a brief sketch of the labours of this indefatigable servant of the Lord, in his own words.

In his report to the Board, Mr. Patterson says:—"As nearly as I can ascertain from the memoranda I have kept, I have, during the year, visited upwards of one hundred and sixty churches, preached about two hundred times, delivered about the same number of addresses, and travelled nearly five thousand miles. I need not say that the toils of the closing year, as well as of the preceding, have been connected with much exposure of health, and many serious privations, domestic and personal; I have been absent from my family probably four-fifths of the past year, and when occasionally at home, my time has been almost entirely occupied in attending to the correspondence, and other duties, connected with my office; so that I have been able to spend but few hours in my study, and devote but very few fragments of time to mental improvement. I have been almost literally a pilgrim and an alien from my own house, ever since I have been in the service of the Board. But do not understand me as indulging in complaint. Nay, I rejoice that I have been permitted to endure hardship, or encounter privation, for the sake of our dear Master, in so good a cause, that is dear to every friend of truth, of our beloved Zion, our country, and the world.—And I desire to be unfeignedly thankful, in having reason to believe that my feeble efforts have not been in vain in the Lord."

Mr. Patterson has made auxiliary to the Board, not far from two hundred churches, and has secured funds to the amount of nearly or quite \$9000, the greater part of which has been paid into the treasury.

The *Rev. James M. Brown* has been continued during the year, in his former field. His agency includes the two States of Virginia and North Carolina. To perform the duties of this agency necessarily requires much travelling; the field is large—in most parts of it the churches are at a distance from each other—many of them are weak, and able to contribute but little to benevolent objects—and there is within the limits of this agency a vast amount of missionary ground; whole districts are entirely destitute of preaching and Gospel ordinances. Much of the business of an Agent in this field consists in ascertaining the wants of the people, and bringing them to the view of the Board; and much of the time of the Agent is necessarily consumed in visiting feeble churches, and devising measures for supplying the destitute. For nearly or quite three months, Mr. Brown was laid aside, by a violent attack of bilious fever, so that his labours for the year have been

limited to about nine months. A few extracts from his report—which we now give—will show how the duties of his Agency have been performed :

“I have, as the Agent of the Board, during the nine months I have been able to labour, visited seventy-seven churches, in most of which I have organized Missionary Associations on the plan recommended by the Board: I have preached not less than two hundred sermons, and some precious results in the hopeful conversion of sinners I have heard of, which have cheered me amidst the privations of my calling. I have travelled more than three thousand miles, and most of it on horseback; and during this time have been with my family, altogether, not more than two months.”

The amount of funds collected in this Agency has not been large, but a large amount of information has been collected, deeply interesting in itself, and of great importance to the missionary cause.

The *Rev. Shepard K. Kollock* was re-appointed Agent for the Synod and State of New Jersey, including the State of New Jersey, and the Presbyteries of Susquehannah and Montrose, in the State of Pennsylvania. He has laboured during the year in the service of the Board with great diligence, and encouraging success. In his report to the Board he remarks :

“During the last twelve months I have visited sixty-three churches, in the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York, but principally in the first. I have preached one hundred and sixty or one hundred and seventy times: when I spend several days in a congregation, besides preaching on the Sabbath, I usually preach every day. This has been my practice in any long tours I have made, and I have had some cheering evidence that the Gospel has not been preached in vain. I have travelled during the year from three to four thousand miles, and have been absent from my family much more than half my time. In visiting the churches, I think I have found the spirit of missions increasing among ministers and private Christians, and a growing desire manifested, that our own beloved Church should do more for this object than she has ever yet done.” Mr. Kollock has succeeded well in the collection of funds.

The *Rev. John K. Davis* has been continued an Agent in the State of New York. His labours have been more particularly directed to the churches on the Hudson river, but the limits of his Agency have not been very definitely fixed. During the year he has visited between sixty and seventy churches; travelled from three to four thousand miles; preached often, and collected a considerable amount of funds for the

support of missions. This Brother has been indefatigable in his efforts, has made a favourable impression wherever he has gone in the service of the Board, and we have good reason to believe, has essentially promoted the interests of the cause in that important section of the Church.

In addition to the foregoing, the Rev. *Malcom D. Fraser*, of the Presbytery of Harmony, has laboured as an Agent of the Board for six months in the state of South Carolina. This excellent Brother has been unwearied in his labours, and has done most important service. The Board deeply regret that he could not be longer retained in the field.

The Board have also within the last few weeks appointed the Rev. *James L. Sloss*, of the Presbytery of North Alabama, an Agent for the states of Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. There has not yet been time for an answer to be received from Mr. Sloss.\*

The Board deeply regret, that they have again failed to obtain suitable Agents for a large portion of the West. The Rev. Mr. Smith, who was appointed to the state of Kentucky, shortly before the meeting of the last Assembly, declined his appointment, and that important field has been without Agents from this Board. The Board confidently hope this will not much longer be the case. They are now making arrangements to place in a central part of that great field the best man they can obtain, and they think with a good prospect of speedy success.†

Before dismissing this subject, the Board beg leave to direct the particular attention of the Assembly, and of the churches, to a few facts disclosed in the reports of our Agents. They deem it only an act of justice to these self-denying, devoted men, and of great importance to the cause. There is necessarily a large expense connected with extensive Agencies, and complaints are sometimes made, that too large an amount of the funds of the Church are expended in Agencies. The Board are anxious in this matter, as in all other matters committed to them, to do what is right in itself, and what will most effectually advance the great interests of the cause entrusted to them: and to aid ministers and churches in forming an intelligent judgment, they direct their attention to a few facts in the case.

\* Since this Report was read to the Assembly, a letter has been received from Mr. Sloss, accepting his appointment. He will enter on the duties of the Agency in September or October.

† An Agent has since been appointed for the Synods of Cincinnati, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, and Missouri, to be located at Louisville, Ky.

The first fact we notice is, the *amount of labour performed*, and the *probable good accomplished in the churches* by these devoted men. Not one of our Agents has travelled, during the year, less than *three thousand miles*. From *one hundred and sixty to two hundred sermons* have been preached by each : and one Brother tells us he has travelled more than *five thousand miles*, and preached more than *two hundred sermons*, besides delivering as many *public addresses* : that is, he has performed more public services than there are days in the year. Where, we would confidently ask, is the pastor, in our whole Church, who has performed such labours ? And who can calculate the amount of good accomplished by these men, preaching almost daily, and going from congregation to congregation, rousing the churches to prayer and effort ?

A second fact to which we would direct attention is, the *peculiar trials of an Agent*. These, the Board think, are not generally understood, nor duly appreciated. The Agent, as we have seen, must to a very great extent, give up his domestic comforts, and become literally "an alien from his own home." Not one of our Agents, but has been absent from his family *more than half the year*, some *two-thirds*, and even *four-fifths* of the whole time. This, to a man who loves his home, and whose family need his watchful care, is certainly no small trial.

The Agent, to a very great degree, must bid adieu to all hope of improvement. He has but little time or opportunity for mental cultivation, and his wandering, unsettled life, all must feel, is not very favourable to spiritual improvement. He is in fact, by his mode of life, cut off in a great measure from all advance, both mental and spiritual ; no small trial this.

The Agent, it is well known, is subject to incessant toil and fatigue, and not unfrequently, from exposure, suffers seriously in his health. To meet his engagements he must travel during all kinds of weather, and at all hazards. He must breast the storm, and encounter the peril, or the cause may suffer. And in addition to all his other trials, his business, the collection of funds, is in itself a constant trial of feeling.

Such are *some* of the trials of an Agent. The life of a conscientious, devoted Agent, is a life of toil, privation, self-denying, self-sacrificing labours. The object for which he is wearing himself out is indeed a noble one. It is for a good Master, and in a good cause he works, and it is this which sustains him under all his privations and trials.

We call attention to a third fact. The absolute necessity of Agents, and of active, acceptable Agents, in order to accomplish the great work

for which your Board has been appointed. Were ministers and churches just what they should be, that is, would pastors and churches do their duty, and their whole duty, in the great work of converting the world to God, Agents would be less needed; and it will be a blessed period of the Church, when the services of Agents can be entirely dispensed with. But as the Church now is, unless we would stop the progress of truth and righteousness, and be satisfied with the ground already possessed by the Church; and unless, too, we would leave the churches already formed to decline, and the cause to retrograde, they cannot be dispensed with. All experience proves, that benevolent operations cannot be carried forward with efficiency, without judicious, active, self-denying, devoted Agents; and the history of our own operations during the past year most abundantly confirms this. The prosperity of the cause, under God, has essentially depended on the judicious, untiring efforts of our devoted Agents.

From the statements made, one thing more must be obvious; that Agents, of all men in the service of the Church, should be wise, sound, discreet, godly, active, energetic men; men in whom the churches can have confidence, and whose influence in the churches will be a safe, and decidedly good influence. To meet the trials, and perform the labours of an Agent, in such a manner as to be profitable to the churches, and promote the cause for which the Agency is undertaken, requires some peculiar qualifications; and the Board, in the appointment of Agents, are careful not to appoint any, but such as are known to the churches as safe and useful men. They act in this matter on the principle, that the cause of Christ requires for this arduous and important service, the best talents that can be commanded; and they fully believe, that in selecting such men as Agents for the cause of Missions, there is no loss, but gain to the churches.

And when they call a good man to this self-denying, laborious, and important work, they feel they are bound to secure to him a competent support. In no case do they give more than a bare sufficiency to make his family comfortable. They study the strictest economy, while they endeavour also to be just, and as far as possible relieve from worldly anxiety and care, the men whose whole time, and energies are required in their work.

The Board would now dismiss the subject, by affectionately commending these beloved Brethren, and the cause they plead, to the prayers and cordial support of the pastors and churches.

## CONCLUSION.

In the review of the operations of the past year, the Board find much to excite their gratitude to God for what he has enabled them to do for his cause. They have evidence, that "their labour has not been in vain in the Lord." But they have also deeply to regret, that their operations have been so very inadequate to the increasing demand for ministerial labour. Every succeeding year serves to deepen our impression, of the *paramount importance of Domestic Missions*, and of the immense amount of labour to be performed, before this vast, and growing country can be supplied with Gospel preaching, and the regular administration of Gospel ordinances. The destitutions are exceedingly great: the people are anxious to be supplied; they are waiting to receive the Gospel. The supply actually increases the demand; and were the number of our missionaries increased four-fold, so great is the number now destitute, and so rapid the increase of our population, we would find the demand for labourers still increasing. To meet the exigency, the resources of the Church, we are persuaded, are much more ample than is generally supposed; and to bring these resources out, we believe it is only necessary the churches should feel an interest on this subject, such as its magnitude and importance demand. Were such interest felt throughout the churches, the means for carrying forward this great work would be ample. And doubtless one reason, and perhaps the principal reason, why a more general and a deeper interest is not felt on this subject is, a want of definite information as to the facts in the case. Were a full and fair exhibition of the wants of our population brought before the churches; could we lay before every church a moral map of our country, and induce the people carefully to examine it, we are persuaded they would wake up to the importance of immediate, and more energetic action in the work of Home Missions.

That the churches may have some definite idea of the work to be done, of the means they possess for doing it, and of their obligation to immediate, and more energetic action, the Board, before closing their Report, would give a rapid sketch of the field to be cultivated, state what is required in order to its culture, and give some reasons why, as a Church, we should, without a moment's delay, embark with all our resources in this important work. We will then

1. Call the attention of the churches to a brief survey of the field to be cultivated. By every Christian it is admitted, the missionary field



"is the world;" the whole world, and nothing less than the world. The command of her redeeming God and Saviour, lays the Church under obligations to have this Gospel preached to every inhabitant of earth. And while any of the tribes of men are without the Gospel, which bringeth salvation, the duty of the Church in this matter is not fully done. This your Board feel, and endeavour to keep constantly in view, as their great and ultimate object, *the conversion of the world to God*: and in subserviency to this great object, the universal spread and triumph of the Gospel, they would urge onward more energetically, the work of *Home Missions*.

The section of the great missionary field, in which your Board are more especially called to labour, is that portion of our own country over which the Presbyterian Church is spread, including the whole of the middle and southern States, with the vast Valley of the Mississippi, and containing at this time, a population of more than ten millions of souls.

In the state of *New York*, the Board have at this time *thirty Missionaries*. This State contains a large number of Presbyterian churches, and we rejoice to know that other Missionary Boards are doing much to sustain feeble churches, and supply the destitute population with a preached Gospel. Still within the limits of that favoured State, the number of feeble and destitute churches, unaided by any Board, is large, and there is yet much vacant land to be possessed.

In *New Jersey* the Board have *twelve* Missionaries. The Presbyterian Church in this State is strong, and the greater part of it is perhaps as well supplied with intelligent, active ministers, as any portion of our land; yet in this State, particularly in the southern section of it, there is a great destitution of competent religious instructors, and a number of Missionaries are at this moment much needed.

In *Pennsylvania* we have *forty-one* Missionaries. This State also contains many good, efficient Presbyterian churches, and a large number of sound, active, evangelical Presbyterian ministers. No other State in the Union has done so much to aid in the operations of your Board as Pennsylvania. She stands first on our list of benefactors. Within the limits of this State are still, a large number of feeble churches, which greatly need aid, not less probably than one hundred and fifty churches; besides those aided have not sufficient strength to sustain the Gospel themselves; and there is vacant ground in this State, where no churches have been formed, sufficient for one hundred churches more.

In *Delaware* we have but *one* Missionary. We know not what other

Missionary Boards may be doing for that State, but from the best information we have been able to obtain, there are, within the limits of the State, extensive moral wastes, and much missionary ground, where sound, devoted ministers are greatly needed.

In *Maryland* the Board have *five* Missionaries. A very large portion of the State is missionary ground, and the call for labourers is loud, and pressing.

In *Virginia* we have *twenty-seven* Missionaries. This State contains a number of able, devoted Presbyterian ministers. The missionary spirit we think is increasing, and much is doing by the Brethren there for the supply of the destitute. Still the destitution is very great. It is stated on good authority, that within the limits of that single State more than half a million of souls, are without the regular administration of the word and ordinances of the Gospel.

In *North Carolina* the Board have *fifteen* Missionaries. Here also it is hoped, the missionary spirit has received an impulse during the past year. But the destitutions are exceedingly great; probably not less than one half of the population of the State are destitute of the stated ministry.

In *South Carolina* and *Georgia*, where we have, in the former *eight*, and in the latter *three* Missionaries, the state of things is not very different from what is found in Virginia, and North Carolina. The demand for sound, intelligent, active ministers is very great, and pressing.

In *Alabama* the Board have *four* Missionaries. This State, at the present moment, presents an extensive field for missionary labour.

But the great field for missionary labour in our own country, is in the West. The Valley of the Mississippi, including eight whole States and two Territories, besides portions of several other States, we believe the largest valley in the world; in several respects the most interesting and most important portion of our country, and in its bearings on the future destinies of this land, and of mankind, perhaps we may say, the most important section of the globe.

The "mighty West," which already numbers its millions of inhabitants, and whose population, collecting from all parts of the world, is increasing with a rapidity unparalleled in the history of any other country, presents to the Church, at the present moment, a field for missionary labour, far surpassing in interest, in importance, and in promise, any other of which we have any knowledge.

In this vast field your Board have now, about one hundred Missionaries. We rejoice that we have so many, but how small the number

compared with the demand ! One hundred in addition, would not be sufficient to meet the applications now on hand ; and the demand is constantly increasing, and of necessity must continue to increase. Almost daily, from some portion of that vast Valley, the cry comes up to us, Send us some one to break unto us the bread of life ; Send us a man of God to teach us, and to teach our children the way of salvation.

Our limits will not permit us to enlarge. Such is the field we are called to cultivate.

We proceed to notice briefly, what will be necessary for the moral culture of this extensive and most interesting field, and to inquire, what resources we have in our own Church, for this great work.

To carry forward this work, the Board need a *large supply of ministers of the Gospel*—and *ministers of the right stamp*. They want men of decided piety—intelligent men, who understand and love the truth, and will preach it in all its native simplicity and purity. Sober, discreet, enterprising, active men, who value the souls of men, and who are prepared to endure hardness, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ.

And can the men be found? We answer, For a full supply there are not men at present to be had. It would require several hundreds, in addition to those already in the ministry, to furnish any thing like an adequate supply for the destitutions of our own country. Still we have men, and valuable men, in our own Church, to meet much more fully than has yet been met, the wants of the destitute. It is well known there are at this time hundreds of Presbyterian ministers, who, from want of competent support, are but partially engaged in the work of the ministry. Devoting most of their time and strength to secular employment, these good men are in a measure lost to the Church. To secure to the cause of Christ, and to the benefit of souls, the whole time of such men, is one important object for which this Board was appointed. And the Board believe measures should be taken immediately, by the Presbyteries, to secure to the appropriate work of the ministry, the undivided time, and attention of every Presbyterian minister. Were this done, and could all our ministers, who are now dividing their time between the ministry, and the world, be induced to give themselves wholly to the former, there would be a large accession to the number of active, and we would hope, successful labourers in our Lord's vineyard.

And we would most respectfully and affectionately, but earnestly, make our appeal to such, and beg them, in the name of our adorable Master, who "has counted them faithful, putting them into the ministry," and in the name of perishing millions, to look seriously and prayerfully

at this matter. Their whole time, and strength, are required in their Master's work, and cannot be dispensed with, without serious loss to souls.

There are others again, in almost all our Presbyteries, ordained ministers and licentiates, who, from different causes, are not connected with any congregation, and are almost wholly unemployed. Numbers in this situation may be found in our cities and large towns, who are wasting the best of their days in comparative idleness. Such men, if they have qualifications for usefulness, should not be suffered to remain idle for a single hour. They should be searched out, and urged into the field. When there is such a demand for ministerial labour, there should be no idlers in the ministry. From this source we believe, there might be an addition to the number of labourers.

Our Seminaries, increasing in number and strength, will be an increasing source of supply. And our Education Board, with her hundreds of devoted young men in a course of training for the ministry, we trust will, in due time, furnish a large supply of well instructed, godly, devoted men for this important field.

The Church has men, not indeed to meet the full demand, but to increase greatly the number now in active service; and she is called upon to wake up to this subject, and make a draft on all the good men she has; in the name of her Head, to demand of them for his cause, all their time, and their best energies.

Again—To carry forward this work with energy, *funds will be required*. To sustain in the field, and especially in our new States and Territories, so large a number of ministers as are needed, and as the Church, if she is faithful to her trust, may furnish, will require large funds; and we need hardly say, the resources here are ample. It is a fact to be looked at, and duly considered by every Christian, that recently God has collected into the bosom of the Church, a vast amount of wealth. He has in his Providence so directed, that a large number of his professed children are rich in this world's goods. And why has he committed so much wealth to professing Christians? Unquestionably, that they may have it in their power to do *much* for him, and his cause in the world. There is wealth enough in the Church to furnish ample funds; and the Board are persuaded, if the men can be found, and brought into the field, the necessary funds would be furnished; and they would simply remind the churches, that their operations during the present year will be greatly extended, and that to carry forward successfully these operations, will require that the churches act in this matter, systematically, and promptly.

We mention one thing more, as not only important, but essential to this great work—*much of the spirit of prayer*. It is the Lord's work, and however wisely laid may be our plans, or however ample may be our resources, both of men and money, success depends entirely on a Divine influence. Here is our great, our only reliance. We rest our hope of doing good entirely on the blessing of God, secured to the cause, in answer to the prayers of the Church. The Lord of the harvest must be importuned, that suitable men and means may be furnished, and a divine blessing attend the efforts of your Board, and the labours of your Missionaries. This we especially ask of the churches, to be much engaged in prayer for this good cause.

We state some reasons, why we think the Church is called upon, without longer delay, to rise in her strength, and bring all her resources and energies to bear on this great cause.

The feeble, desolate condition of hundreds of our own churches demand it.

The great extent of our destitutions, the millions of our own citizens, living, and dying without gospel ordinances, imperatively require it of us.

The untiring efforts made by infidels, and errorists of every name and grade, to delude, and destroy men's souls, call us to this work.

The alarming increase of popery in our country, and the unwearied efforts made, both in our own land, and in foreign lands, to secure for the Man of Sin, a firm footing in these States, demand of us, to call into requisition all our resources for the spread of the pure Gospel.

And above all, our obligation to our Master in heaven, to his cause on earth, and to perishing souls, imperatively demand of us to embark with our whole strength, in this great and good work.

As patriots and good citizens, as philanthropists, and especially as Christians, who have been peculiarly favoured of our God and Saviour, we are called upon, and the Church with which we are connected is called upon, to engage with new vigour in this blessed work; and now is the time, the favourable moment, in which to work. Let all then, each in his place, exert every energy, to give the ministry, God's appointed ordinance for the salvation of men, to the whole of our population. Let us urge onward this work, until every Church has an able and faithful pastor, whose whole time, and energies are devoted to its interests; until Churches are formed in every destitute neighbourhood, and supplied with pastors; until our whole land is blessed with a gospel influence: And let not the Churches rest, until the gospel, in its purity, "is preached to every creature."

The Board have only to add, that the term of service of the following members expires during the Sessions of this Assembly.

*Ministers.*—Ashbel Green, D. D. LL. D.; Arch. Alexander, D. D. ; Gardiner Spring, D. D. ; W. B. Sprague, D. D. ; S. N. Rowan, D.D. ; W. W. Philips, D. D. ; W. D. Snodgrass, D.D. ; R. McCartee, D.D.; Mark Tucker, D. D. ; Eli S. Hunter, D. D. ; John Proudfit ; Henry R. Weed ; William Chester ; George S. Boardman ; James R. Boyd ; Alexander M. Cowan ; William Wisner ; Henry Dwight ; B. Foster Pratt ; Alfred E. Campbell ; Ansell D. Eddy ; Joseph Penny, D. D. ; Sylvester Eaton ; Elias W. Crane ; John Johnson ; Daniel L. Carroll ; John F. Clark.

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WILLIAM A. M'DOWELL, *Cor. Sec'y.*

Dr. *The Assembly's Board of Missions in Account with William Nassau, Sen. Treasurer.* Cr.

1836. May 9.	To Cash paid since May 14th, 1835, to Missionaries, Agents, Office Rent, Postages, Stationary, Fuel, and Mis- cellaneous Expenses, - - - To Balance on hand, - - -	1835. May 14. 1836. May 9.	By Balance on hand, - - - " Cash received since 14th May, 1835, viz. Legacies, - - - " Donations, Subscriptions, and Col- lections generally, - - -
	\$28,840 10 1,245 54½ \$30,085 64½		\$228 67 2,512 50 27,344 47½ \$30,085 64½

The subscriber appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, has examined them from May 13th, 1835, to May 9th, 1836, inclusive, and found them correct, leaving a balance in the Treasury of twelve hundred and forty-five dollars and fifty-four and a half cents.

*Philadelphia, May 9, 1836.*

WILLIAM BROWN, Auditor.

## APPENDIX.

### REPORT

*Of the Domestic Missionary Society of East Hanover Presbytery, Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.*

In making their Third Annual Report, the Directors of the Domestic Missionary Society of East Hanover Presbytery feel that they are called upon to express gratitude to God for his great mercy in sparing their lives, and the lives of all their Missionaries, and in giving them any evidence that he has not utterly and forever forsaken the desolations in the midst of which we live and labour. During the year, there have been in commission under the direction of this Society, for different periods, eight Missionaries, viz.

Rev. John T. Hendrick, for 9 months in the counties of Goochland and Hanover.

Rev. J. E. Curtis, in Powhatan county, 9 months.

Rev. John A. Getter, for 12 months at Genito and Manakin town in Powhatan county.

Rev. A. S. Smith, for 7 months in Southampton.

Rev. J. B. Spottswood, for 6 months in Sussex.

Rev. David Gilmer, for 2 months in Middlesex and parts adjacent.

Rev. John S. Watt, for 2 months in New Kent and King William.

Rev. Alexander Mebane, for 12 months at Rocketts, and neighbourhood below.

Of these, *three* have ceased to hold any connexion with us, viz. Mr. Hendrick, who has removed to Kentucky—Mr. Smith, who for reasons satisfactory to himself and the committee, has quit his field of labour, and Mr. Gilmer who has returned to New Jersey.

A few extracts from several of the reports are here given:

Mr. Hendrick says: "Our congregations are generally large, well behaved, and attentive; and of late, several have manifested deep concern for their souls' salvation; but the coloured congregations every Sabbath afternoon, are decidedly the most interesting, attentive, and thankful for the instruction given them. When I commenced preaching here, they seldom attended meeting, or were noticed at all by ministers; now they rarely miss a meeting. They receive special attention, and give pleasing indications of change of character, and regard to the Sabbath day. Their masters are so much delighted with the plan of instruction, that they not only permit, but urge them to attend, and frequently come with them, and say they enjoy these meetings themselves.

"We have had two protracted meetings of an interesting and refreshing character to ministers and Christians, and alarming to the unconverted, some of whom seemed deeply affected.

"Our Bible classes have been the means of disseminating much truth,



and are doing as well as could be expected, one is quite interesting and encouraging.

"Our Sabbath Schools have been more regularly attended during the present year, than formerly; and the interest to teachers and scholars is increasing, though there is great need of more piety and zeal, to make them efficient, to accomplish the work needed in their vicinities, as numbers of the children here are without any education whatever, except that which is obtained in Sabbath schools.

"Something has been done in the circulation of the bound volumes of the *Tract Society*. I have visited 150 families in Goochland, and sold 480 vols., and given away about 20 vols.—Other persons have been actively engaged in this work in Hanover, and there is now before the minds of the people a great amount of religious truth—which, I trust, God will bless to their salvation.

Our *Temperance* operations have been systematic, extensive and encouraging. The county of Hanover was laid off into 10 districts and a meeting appointed successively in each—I spent eleven days in going over the county—formed or re-organized 10 societies, averaging nearly 100 members each, making about 1000 members—among whom are many of the magistrates of the county and several ministers. A number of grocers and tavern-keepers have ceased to sell ardent spirit, and many planters now gather in their harvests without using a drop.

An effort has been made to erect a house of worship in Hanover—a very suitable piece of ground has been obtained; and nearly enough money raised to build the house. It is very desirable that this effort should succeed, as there are several individuals who are ready to join the Presbyterian church, and are waiting for the formation of one convenient to them, with which they may connect themselves.

Mr. Curtis says, "Since the first of April last my labours have been interrupted by sickness, absence at Presbytery, Synod, &c. about two months. During the remaining seven months, I have travelled about 1300 miles, made about 100 family visits and calls, and attended about 100 meetings for preaching, prayer and other religious purposes. My appointments for the Sabbath have been better attended the present, than any preceding year that I have laboured in the county; and the congregations have generally been serious and attentive. About once in two weeks, during the summer, I preached to the coloured people on Sabbath afternoons. They attended well, and I trust my labours among them have been blessed to the conversion of souls. Five or six, during the season, indulged the hope of passing from death to life, and have joined or are expecting to join the Baptist Church. The abolition excitement has been a very serious disadvantage to their spiritual interests—indeed it has had a very injurious effect upon the interests of religion generally. A spirit of emigration has also had a powerful effect in unsettling the minds of the people. A great number of families have left the upper part of this county within a few months past, and other families are making preparations to remove during the next year. From 300 to 400 bound volumes of the *Tract Society*, have been distributed in the last six months, from which we may hope good effects will be produced. They have been very readily received, and generally paid for. In the distribution of these volumes, attention also has been paid to the re-supply of the Bible. But very few families have yet been found destitute of the sacred volume. A few years ago the county was very faithfully supplied.

Mr. Spotswood says, "During the past year, we have erected in the neigh-

bourhood of the Court House a large and comfortable house of worship, which was dedicated in the month of September last.

"A few days before the date of my commission, three individuals were added to the church, and since that time three others have been received. The whole number of members is 40, among them are men of influence and of excellent spirit. I have in active operation two Bible classes which recite alternately every Sabbath in the presence of the congregation before the hour of public worship. This exercise is regarded by us of the highest importance, as it enables the whole congregation to hear a portion of the Scriptures explained and commented on in a plain and familiar manner.

"Our *Sabbath Schools* were unusually flourishing until the commencement of the winter, when it was deemed expedient to suspend them. They will, I trust, be re-commenced in the spring with renewed vigour.

"The *Temperance cause* is evidently gaining ground, and doing much good in this county."

Mr. Mebane reports, "that within the last twelve months, a Presbyterian church has been regularly organized at Rocketts, consisting of 33 members, with 4 Elders; 4 of these members were received on certificate, the remainder on examination,—the church has been received under the care of East Hanover Presbytery. A very comfortable house of worship has been erected at Rocketts, and recently dedicated to the service of Almighty God. It will seat about 300 persons, and when entirely finished will have cost about \$1500. There are now in and about Rocketts many families, who, eighteen months ago, were rarely if ever known to attend public worship, but are now regular hearers of the Gospel, and are bringing up *Christian* families. My average number of hearers is about two hundred, perhaps the number on Sabbath afternoons is more, as that time is devoted chiefly to the religious instruction of the coloured people. These meetings I have enjoyed much, and have reason to believe that they have been profitable to some. The *Seamen* also occupy an interesting portion of my field of labour, and good has been done among them. Several have professed conversion, some of whom have united with our Church. The American Bible Society having sent me a box of Bibles and Testaments, I have been enabled to circulate somewhat extensively, the word of salvation among them. The *Sailors* have been greatly benefitted by our efforts to promote the temperance cause. *One Sailor*, who is now a master of a vessel, and a consistent member of our Church, had not been in a place of worship for twelve years before he joined the Temperance Society.

"I cannot omit saying, that our *Sabbath School* is doing great good. As it was the beginning of our Church, so it seems likely to prove very efficient in building it up. The state of things at this time at Rocketts is encouraging. Some have recently professed conversion, and others manifest great anxiety about their eternal welfare."

Besides the information presented by the foregoing extracts, the managers report that as the results of operations during the year, *five feeble churches have been aided*, who could not, without such assistance have maintained gospel ordinances, and three important missionary fields have been occupied. The amount of service rendered has been equal to five years and two months of ministerial labour. There are now in commission five brethren, most of whom meet with good encouragement in their labours. The managers would gladly commission twice that number, could they but secure the services of suitable men.

The Treasurer's report herewith submitted shows the receipts of the So-

ciety during the year, (including a balance on hand at the last annual meeting of \$275 62,) to have been \$1274 85, and the expenditures \$954 24, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$320 61.

The connexion formed between this Society and the General Assembly's Board of Missions, has operated throughout the year very pleasantly and usefully to both parties. The General Agent, the Rev. James M. Brown, is now in our bounds, visiting the Churches, and presenting the subject of Domestic Missions, and collecting funds.—Through his instrumentality an amount is expected to be raised sufficient to employ all the suitable missionaries that can be procured.

The discouragements and hindrances which have pressed so hard upon all ministers throughout the South during the last year, have been felt by those labouring in connexion with this Society. They trust a gracious Providence will ere long remove these obstructions to the spread of the truth, and command the light to shine. That this may be the case, your Board feel it a duty to call upon their fellow members to unite with them in unceasing prayer for two great objects. The first, that the Head of the Church would raise up a great company of faithful labourers to gather in the ripening harvest; and the second, that He would in mercy bless the labours of those who preach the truth, causing his word to "run very swiftly, to have free course and be glorified.

All which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL REEVE, C. S. C. M.

## REPORT

### *Of the Committee of Missions of Winchester Presbytery, Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.*

The Committee of Missions, of Winchester Presbytery, in making this Report, for the year intervening the meeting of Presbytery, in April 1835 and the meeting in April 1836, have some things to state, which they hope, will be found interesting to the Churches. We know that the novelty of Domestic Missionary enterprises is gone, and with it the almost magic effects of zealous Christian enterprise, that were called into being by the first pleadings for the destitute in our land. We must now appeal to the deep irradicable principle of the love of God, as it may be found in the bosom of the Church; and hope to move it into action by sober facts of a truly evangelical cast; and guide it by solemn truth, whose influence is unfelt, where conscience is not moved by the love of God and his Son Jesus Christ. We have things to state that ought to reprove the Church, that she has so slept over this matter; and things that should encourage her in her trust in God, that He is more ready to bless than we are to co-operate with His movings, or even receive from His hands.

During the year that has passed, the Committee have had in their employ, acting under the commissions of the General Assembly's Board, FIVE MISSIONARIES, who have acted as stated supplies; some for a part, and some for a whole year.

1st. Rev. Alexander W. Campbell, has been labouring in Loudon county; his principal sphere of operation has been Lovettsville and vicinity. He was in commission at the time of the last report; his commission having ex-

pired, it was renewed for a year from December 1st, 1835. The aid promised is \$100. The scene of his labours is increasingly interesting, as will appear from extracts from his Annual Report which will be hereafter submitted. We believe the Lord bless his station, and is blessing him in his labours.

2d. Rev. James W. Phillips is labouring in the counties of Stafford and Fauquier. He was in commission at the time of the last report; and his commission having expired was renewed again from the 1st of December, 1835, for a year; the aid promised is \$150. The Church to which he ministers is in circumstances calculated to excite our sympathies and benevolence, while it is struggling for existence, without suitable plans for worship, and in that state of activity and weakness, that by attention, it may flourish, and by desertion, it may die. Mr. Phillips has been laborious and useful. We trust he is in the place designed for him by the Great Head of the Church. Extracts from his report will be read.

3d. Mr. Cary Hickman was in commission at the time of the last report, and labouring in Middleburg and Nelson, and their vicinities. His commission having expired with the year 1835, he declined a renewal, and has left the scene of his labours. Extracts from his annual report will be read. He is not now in connexion with the Committee, or the Assembly's Board of Missions.

4th. Rev. Lewis L. Wilson has been employed for a year in Straburg and Woodstock, Shenandoah county; his commission bearing date Oct. 16th, 1835. The aid promised is \$100. The committee have no special communications respecting the situation of the Churches under his care.

5th. Mr. Joshua Butts received a commission to labour in the bounds of Winchester Presbytery, bearing date November 12th, 1834; both the amount of aid and place of labour were left blank to be filled by the committee of this Presbytery, by special arrangement between your committee and the Secretary of the Assembly's Board. After labouring till the last of December, in Warrenton, under the direction of the committee, Mr. Butts gave up his commission; the congregation in this place becoming responsible for his support, from the commencement of 1836, and the Committee liquidating his missionary claims up to that period. This arrangement was thought preferable to his remaining as a missionary, and receiving a portion of his support for the year from this Board.

Until the latter part of the year past, the Committee have confined their assistance promised and rendered, to the limit of \$100, to a missionary. At this time, they found it advisable to increase the aid promised, in one instance, to \$150. The Committee are satisfied, that is the ultimatum that will be necessary until the number of missionaries in our bounds shall far exceed what we are likely soon to obtain. And it has not been the design of the committee to exceed the limit of \$100 to a missionary, unless it were evident that the situations of the Church or Churches, to whom the aid should be given, should imperiously demand it. To such a demand, they have, they trust, been always tenderly alive.

During the year past, the Committee have found the advantage of being in connexion with the General Assembly's Board of Missions. Until the past winter the Committee had succeeded in meeting the demands of the missionaries by resources within the bounds of Presbytery. They wished to continue thus to meet them; and also to enlarge the missionary operations, but during the winter past they were brought to the necessity of either borrowing money on interest, or drawing on the Assembly's Board, beyond the resources of the Treasurer of this Presbytery to meet.

The Assembly's Board answered our calls with the greatest promptness



The Treasury of the Presbytery has been overdrawn about \$200; and about \$150 will be necessary to meet the demands which will accrue previous to the fall meeting of Presbytery. To meet these demands, the contributions of the churches and individual donations are our resort, under the blessing of the Head of the Church.

Seven additional pastors and stated supplies are now called for in the bounds of this Presbytery. Where is our help to come from? Is Zion to be prostrated? We must have seven more labourers, this summer, or our Churches must languish for want of pastors.

It appears that our missionaries have been laborious and faithful in public ministrations, both on Sabbaths and on week days; have been engaged in prayer meetings and Sabbath schools; have been promoters of the temperance cause; and for their various and multiplied services, have deserved well of the churches and their brethren. Some of them have made special efforts in favour of the education of youth, without detracting from their services as stated supplies. For this they deserve special commendations. The gospel is always the harbinger of improvement; and every minister of Jesus Christ is bound to see that proper efforts are made for the instruction of the children and youth in the sphere of his operations.

While the unhappy effects of emigration, whether from necessity or from motives of speculation, are felt in a paralyzing influence in all our borders, greater efforts must be made by our Churches for self-preservation, and for the honour of those feeble Churches which, without the sympathies and help of their brethren, must languish and die.

WM. HENRY FOOTE, *Chairman*  
*Comm. of Miss. Winchester Presbytery.*

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 James Pomeroy,  
 Abijah Bayless.

## LIST OF CHURCHES AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

NEW YORK.—*Churches of*

Albany, 1st.	Gaines.	N. York city, Rutger st. ch.
2d.	Hudson.	Peekskill.
3d.	Jamaica, L. I.	Pavillion,
Alden.	Johnstown.	Pembroke.
Allen.	Lansingburgh.	Schenectady.
Bath.	Le Roy.	Scott.
Brockport.	Lyme.	Sparta.
Bethany Centre.	Lockport, 1st ch.	Troy, 1st ch.
Caledonia.	Do. 2d ch.	Do. 2d ch.
Cambrid.	Lakeville.	Do. Second st. ch.
Castile.	Mendon, Monroe co.	Virgil.
Cambridge.	Mount Morris, 1st ch.	Warsaw.
Constable.	Do. 2d ch.	Wilson.
Cayuga Creek.	Marathon.	White Plains.
Danville.	Naples.	White Hall.
Dryden.	New York city, 1st. ch.	West Bloomfield.
East Bethany.	Do. Canal street, ch.	York, Livingston co.
Greenbush.	Do. Brick ch.	

NEW JERSEY.—*Churches of*

Amwell, 1st.	Backwoodtown.	Freehold, Upper.
Do. 2d.	Cape May.	Fairfield.
Do. 1st. United.	Cranberry.	Greenwich.
Alexandria	Deerfield.	Harmony.
Bethlehem.	Dutch Neck.	Hardwick.
Bridgeton.	Freehold, 1st.	Hunterdon.



Kingston.  
 Lambertsville.  
 Lawrenceville.  
 Lamington.  
 Millville.  
 Mansfield.

Newark, 3d.  
 Oxford.  
 Pittsgrove.  
 Princeton.  
 Pennington.  
 Stillwater.

Salem.  
 Trenton, 1st.  
 Do. city.  
 Woodbury.  
 Warren.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

*Presbytery of Philadelphia.—Churches of*

Charlestown.  
 Great Valley.  
 Philadelphia, 3d.

Philadelphia, 4th.  
 Do. 6th.  
 Do. 7th.

Philadelphia, 8th.  
 Do. 10th.

*Second Presbytery.—Churches of*

Abingdon.  
 Doylestown.  
 Frankford.  
 Germantown.

Kensington.  
 Neshamony.  
 Newtown.  
 Norristown.

Philadelphia, 2d.  
 Philadelphia, Central.  
 Do. 9th.  
 Do. 1st Penntownship.

*Presbytery of New Castle.—Churches of*

Charlestown.  
 Chanceford.  
 Churchville.  
 Centre.  
 Columbia.  
 Donegal.  
 Doe Run.  
 Fagg's Manor.

Head of Christiana.  
 Forks of Brandywine.  
 Lower West Nottingham.  
 Lower Brandywine.  
 New London.  
 Rock.  
 Upper Octorara.  
 Middle Octorara.

Leacock.  
 Slate Ridge.  
 Marietta.  
 Red Clay Creek.  
 Union.  
 Wrightsville.  
 Pequa.  
 White Clay Creek.

*Presbytery of Carlisle.—Churches of*

Hanover.  
 Marsh Creek.  
 Chambersburgh.  
 Upper Path Valley.  
 Lower Path Valley.  
 Middle Spring.  
 Shippensburgh.  
 Paxton.

Derry.  
 Green Castle.  
 Rocky Spring.  
 Fayetteville.  
 Williamsport.  
 Silver Spring.  
 Carlisle, 2d.

Dickinson.  
 Big Spring.  
 Mercersburgh.  
 Gettysburgh.  
 Great Conewago.  
 Hagerstown.  
 Bedford.

*Presbytery of Huntingdon.—Churches of*

Williamsburgh.  
 Bellefonte.  
 Lick Run.  
 Lewistown.  
 Wayne.  
 Sinking Valley.  
 Spencer Creek.  
 Huntingdon.

West Kishacoquillas.  
 Little Valley.  
 Millerstown.  
 Liverpool.  
 Alexandria.  
 Hart's Log.  
 Shaver's Creek.  
 East Kishacoquillas.

Sinking Spring.  
 Spring Creek.  
 Lower Tuscarora.  
 Middle Tuscarora.  
 Mifflintown.  
 Frankstown.  
 Lost Creek.

*Presbytery of Northumberland.—Churches of*

Warrior Run.  
 Chilisquaque.  
 Derry.  
 Milton.  
 Pine Creek.

Newberry.  
 Northumberland.  
 Sunbury.  
 Danville.

Great Island.  
 Williamsport.  
 Lewisburgh.  
 Pennsborough.

*Presbytery of Alleghany.—Churches of*

Slate Lick.  
 Union.

Plain Grove.  
 Center.

Concord.  
 Muddy Creek.

Cross Creek.  
Butler.  
Eight Tracts.  
Nebo.

Middlesex.  
Freeport.  
Terentown.  
Richland.

Rockland.  
Beulah.  
Bethel.

*Presbytery of Erie.—Churches of*

Mercer.  
Fairview.  
Fairfield.  
Georgetown,  
Cool Spring.  
Franklin.  
Big Sugar Creek.

Gravel Run.  
Harmonsburgh.  
Evansburgh.  
North Bank.  
Erie.  
Springfield.  
Mill Creek.

North East.  
Harbour Creek.  
Waterford.  
Meadville.  
Beaverdam.  
Big Concautt.

*Presbytery of Beaver.—Churches of*

Neshanock,  
New Lisbon.  
New Castle.  
Slippery Rock.  
Bethesda.  
Westfield.  
Youngstown.

Long Run.  
New Salem.  
Beaver Town.  
Pleasant Valley.  
Middle Beaver.  
Canfield.

Hopewell.  
Poland.  
Mount Pleasant.  
Yellow Creek.  
East Liberty.  
Little Beaver.

*Presbytery of Redstone.—Churches of*

Laurel Hill.  
Tyrona.  
Brownsville.  
Dunlap's Creek.  
George's Creek.  
Union Ch. or Tent,  
Jefferson.

New Providence.  
Mount Pleasant.  
Sawickly.  
Long Run.  
M'Keesport.  
Greensburgh.

Unity.  
Union Town.  
Connellsville.  
Morgantown.  
Rehoboth.  
Round Hill.

*Presbytery of Washington.—Churches of*

Mill Creek.  
Upper Buffalo.  
Cross Roads.  
Lower Ten Mile.  
Washington.  
Forks of Wheeling.

Wheeling.  
Claysville.  
Cross Creek.  
Three Ridges.  
Mount Prospect.  
West Liberty.

Lower Buffalo.  
Pigeon Creek.  
Three Springs.  
Flatts.  
East Buffalo.

*Presbytery of Ohio.—Churches of*

Mingo.  
Williamsport.  
Pittsburgh, 1st.  
Do. 2d.  
Do. N. L. 1st.  
Alleghany.  
Cannonsburgh.  
Highlands.

Racoon.  
Labanon.  
Pine Creek.  
Chartiers.  
Bethany.  
Alleghanytown, 1st.  
Miller's Run.  
Center.

Montieurs,  
Sharon.  
Hopewell.  
East Liberty.  
Lawrenceville.  
Concord.  
Bethel.  
Bayardstown.

*Presbytery of Blairsville.—Churches of*

Murrysville.  
Beulah.  
Bethel.  
Ebenezer.  
Indiana.  
Salem.

Blairsville.  
Fairfield.  
Ligonier.  
Donegal.  
Washington.

Congruity.  
Lower Plum Creek.  
Saltsburgh.  
Plum Creek.  
Kittanning.

*DELAWARE.—Churches of*

Christiana.

New Castle.

Pencader.

Baltimore, 1st.  
Do. 2d.  
Do. 3d.

## MARYLAND.—Churches of

Frederick. Taneytown.  
Hagerstown. Wicomico.  
Princess Ann.

## VIRGINIA.—Churches of

Augusta.  
Beersheba.  
Bethel.  
Bethesda.  
Fairfield.  
Falling Spring.  
Fin Castle.  
Hebron.  
High Bridge.

Kenhawa. Staunton.  
Lexington. Sussex, C. H.  
Lower Buffalo. Salem.  
Monmouth. The Flatts.  
Mossy Creek. Timber Ridge.  
New Monmouth. Tinkling Spring.  
New Providence. Three Springs.  
Oxford. Union Ch. in Augusta.  
Petersburgh. Waynesborough.

## NORTH CAROLINA.—Churches of

Ash Pole.  
Alemance.  
Averasborough.  
Bethlehem.  
Bethel.  
Buffaloe.  
Bethesda.  
Bluff.  
Bethel.  
Back Creek.  
Bethany.  
Centre.  
Concord.  
Cross Roads.  
Carmel.

Cyprus. Mineral Spring.  
Danville. M'Gill's.  
Euphronia. Nutbush.  
Eno. Oxford.  
Greensborough. Philadelphia.  
Grier. Philadelphia.  
Gallatia. Raleigh.  
Hillsborough. Rocky River.  
Hawfield. St. Paul's.  
Harmony. Steel Creek.  
Laurel Hill. South River.  
Little Pedee. Tirza.  
Lumber Bridge. Thyatira.  
Long Street. Union.  
Milton. Wilmington.

## SOUTH CAROLINA.—Churches of

Beach Island.  
Columbia.  
Camden.

Charleston, 2d. Red Bluff.  
Do. 3d. Zion.  
Jackson Creek.

## GEORGIA.—Church of St. Mary's.

## ALABAMA.—Churches of

Courtland.  
Florence.

New Providence. St. Marks.  
Pulaski. Tusculumbia.

## LOUISIANA.—2d Church, New Orleans.

## OHIO.—Churches of

Annapolis.  
Apple Creek.  
Beach Spring.  
Bloomfield.  
Bucyrus.  
Buck's Creek.  
Bellefontaine.  
Bellebrook.  
Bloomington.  
Bath.  
Brookfield.  
Bethesda.  
Cincinnati, 1st.  
Do. 5th.

Cadiz. Fairfield.  
Concord. Fairview.  
Cambridge. Frederick.  
Crab Apple. Freeport.  
Center. Grassy Run.  
Congress. Hillsboro'.  
Coshocton. Hubbard.  
Chippewa. Hopewell.  
Clear Creek. Irville.  
Dayton. Jeromeville.  
Dick's Creek. Keene.  
Dry Run. Lebanon.  
Eaton, Preble Co. Lancaster.  
Franklin. Lower Springfield.

pired, it was renewed for a year from December 1st, 1835. The aid promised is \$100. The scene of his labours is increasingly interesting, as will appear from extracts from his Annual Report which will be hereafter submitted. We believe the Lord chose his station, and is blessing him in his labours.

2d. Rev. James W. Phillips is labouring in the counties of Stafford and Fauquier. He was in commission at the time of the last report; and his commission having expired was renewed again from the 1st of December, 1835, for a year; the aid promised is \$150. The Church to which he ministers is in circumstances calculated to excite our sympathies and benevolence, while it is struggling for existence, without suitable plans for worship, and in that state of activity and weakness, that by attention, it may flourish, and by desertion, it may die. Mr. Phillips has been laborious and useful. We trust he is in the place designed for him by the Great Head of the Church. Extracts from his report will be read.

3d. Mr. Gary Hickman was in commission at the time of the last report, and labouring in Middleburg and Salem, and their vicinities. His commission having expired with the year 1835, he declined a renewal, and has left the scene of his labours. Extracts from his annual report will be read. He is not now in connexion with the Committee, or the Assembly's Board of Missions.

4th. Rev. Lewis L. Wilson has been employed for a year in Strasburg and Woodstock, Shenandoah county; his commission bearing date Oct. 16th, 1835. The aid promised is \$100. The committee have no special communications respecting the situation of the Churches under his care.

5th. Mr. Joshua Butts received a commission to labour in the bounds of Winchester Presbytery, bearing date November 12th, 1835; both the amount of aid and place of labour were left blank to be filled by the committee of this Presbytery, by special arrangement between your committee and the Secretary of the Assembly's Board. After labouring till the last of December, in Warrenton, under the direction of the committee, Mr. Butts gave up his commission; the congregation in this place becoming responsible for his support, from the commencement of 1836, and the Committee liquidating his missionary claims up to that period. This arrangement was thought preferable to his remaining as a missionary, and receiving a portion of his support for the year from the Board.

Until the latter part of the year past, the Committee have confined their assistance promised and rendered, to the limit of \$100, to a missionary. At this time, they found it advisable to increase the aid promised, in one instance, to \$150. The Committee are satisfied, that is the ultimatum that will be necessary until the number of missionaries in our bounds shall far exceed what we are likely soon to obtain. And it has not been the design of the committee to exceed the limit of \$100 to a missionary, unless it were evident that the situations of the Church or Churches, to whom the aid should be given, should imperiously demand it. To such a demand, they have, they trust, been always tenderly alive.

During the year past, the Committee have found the advantage of being in connexion with the General Assembly's Board of Missions. Until the past winter the Committee had succeeded in meeting the demands of the missionaries by resources within the bounds of Presbytery. They wished to continue thus to meet them; and also to enlarge the Missionary operations. But during the winter past they were brought to the necessity of either borrowing money on interest, or drawing on the Assembly's Board, beyond the resources of the Treasurer of this Presbytery to meet.

The Assembly's Board answered our calls with the greatest promptness

and kindness; and we have drawn upon them for about \$200—for the deficiency in the contributions of our Churches last year and the preceding.

The Assembly's Board also assisted us in procuring the services of a valuable missionary. It is the design and hope of the Committee that the contributions from our Churches, will not only sustain the present missionaries, but throw into the funds of the church general the amount we have drawn out.

It is a matter of confident hope, that the Churches of this Presbytery will not consider it as a burden to sustain five or six missionaries and stated supplies on the present economical plan. If in the kind providence of God, as many missionaries could be obtained, as the necessities of our bounds require, the labour of sustaining them might be beyond the ability of our Churches. Then with greater cheerfulness would we call for help from abroad.

The arrangements entered into with the Assembly's Board, during the past year are such, that the business of missions, in the bounds of this Presbytery, can be always open to the inspection of Presbytery, and yet be carried on in harmony with the proceedings of the Assembly's Board. It is understood that, not only, shall applications for aid, and for missionaries, be sanctioned by the Committee of Presbytery; but also, that all commissions shall pass, through their hands, to the missionaries. They have also requested of the missionaries to send to the chairman of the committee, either a copy of the annual report, or the annual report itself; the missionaries making the quarterly reports directly to the Assembly's Board. The missionaries have also been requested to make to the Committee any communication that may be deemed interesting, in order that they may be laid before Presbytery or the public at large. The Committee of this Presbytery can, at all times, be in possession of all necessary facts, to lay before Presbytery the state of the missionary concerns. It is confidently believed, that harmony of action will be preserved with the Assembly's Board; and yet that degree of independence so necessary to satisfy the wishes of our brethren and churches, be maintained inviolable.

The Committee have also gone on the principle of neither asking or receiving a commission, on other grounds than those involving engagements for services for the space of a year or more. They have done this from the belief that more permanent good, on a more enlarged scale could not be accomplished by shorter terms of engagement; but on the contrary, there would be a waste of time and funds, and an unhappy distraction of the attention of our churches and congregations.

In our present arrangements there appears no cause of jealousy or fear on our part, from any undue interference from abroad. Our only fear is from the effects that may be produced at home. There may be, perhaps is, too great an inclination to resolve the labour and responsibility of the missionary concerns upon the Assembly's Board and their Agents. Should our connexion with that useful, energetic, and discreet Board, produce a feeling of apathy in our churches, or a disposition to depend on foreign aid, it would be matter of humiliation and lamentation.

There is now in commission in the Presbytery, three missionaries; each for one year from the date of their commissions.

1st. Rev. A. W. Campbell, from Dec. 1st, 1835, Lovettsville and surrounding country; aid, \$100.

2d. Rev. James W. Phillips, Stafford and Fauquier counties, commission of same date, (Post Office, Yellow Chappel, Stafford county,) aid, \$150.

3d. Rev. Lewis F. Wilson, Woodstock and Strasburg, Shenandoah county from Oct. 16th, 1835, aid, \$100.

recommended to each of the Presbyteries, disposed to become auxiliary to the Board, that they appoint annually, from their own body, an Executive Committee of Missions, which on its organization shall appoint a Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer.

It shall be the business of this committee,

1. To select, and recommend to the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions, missionary fields, and missionary labourers, and also to locate such missionaries as may be sent to them by the Board for special instruction.

2. To receive applications for aid from feeble congregations, within the bounds of the Presbytery, and to recommend the same to the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions, specifying in each case, the amount of aid, which they deem, indispensably necessary, to be afforded to the congregation.

3. To devise and execute plans for raising funds, or if there be an Agent of the Board within their limits, to co-operate with such Agents in collecting funds for the support of missions from the several congregations within their bounds; which funds, if desired, by the committee, shall be paid into the hands of their Treasurer, and be held subject to the orders of the Board, in such way as the committee may direct.

It will be readily perceived, by the friends of the Board, that much will depend on the efficiency of these committees of Presbyteries. The success of the Board in obtaining suitable missionaries for distant places, must depend essentially on the official information they are enabled to give to those who apply for commissions. Missionaries will generally be found reluctant to take commissions to fields of labour of which they can obtain but little information, as to their wants and prospects; and the information desired can be best furnished by the committees of Presbyteries.

It is therefore a matter of very great importance, that these Corresponding Executive Committees be composed of active, efficient men, who feel interested in the cause, and have opportunities for becoming acquainted with the state of the Churches, and the destitutions within their bounds. That the members be located in the immediate vicinity of each other; that the number necessary for the transaction of business be small; and that a due proportion of each committee be composed of active laymen.

It may sometimes be found desirable to modify somewhat the plan here suggested, so as to suit the peculiar circumstances of Presbyteries.

Where it is practicable, it may be found desirable for Synods to become auxiliary to the Board, and we would respectfully suggest a plan for this:—That the Synod constitute the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of the several Presbyterial committees a Committee of Missions for the Synod, for the purpose of consulting annually as to the best mode of prosecuting the work of Domestic Missions within the bounds of the whole Synod.

## SESSIONS AUXILIARY SOCIETIES TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

It is believed, after much reflection, that Sessions may become the best Auxiliary Missionary Societies that can exist in the Presbyterian Church—that they are more happily adapted to this purpose than any other associations that can be devised, and may supersede the necessity of any other. Sessions are already formed, and must be continued as an essential part in the order and government of the Presbyterian Church; and by their taking an agency in missionary affairs the Church will act *directly by her own officers*; which is the most proper and desirable mode of action, in every thing in which the

Church is concerned. By Sessions assuming the form of Missionary Societies, all the trouble and all the expense of forming other Missionary Associations will be saved; and at the same time Missionary bodies will become more numerous; and more extensively and generally influential, throughout the whole Presbyterian population, than they can ever be otherwise rendered. Missionary operations will in this way be more intimately brought home, as they need to be, to every congregation and to every individual in it, as a concern of their own: and when the people see their own representatives, men of their own choice, and in whom they have confidence, managing and superintending this business, they will be likely to contribute more willingly, generally, and liberally, than they would otherwise do. If in some places it should be considered necessary or expedient, that an individual, or two, without becoming regular members of Sessions, should be joined with it for the special purpose of conducting Missionary business, there could be no objection to such a measure.

## PLAN

### *For Church or Congregational Associations.*

#### CONSTITUTION.

*Article 1.* This Association shall be known by the name of, *The Domestic Missionary Association of —*, and shall be auxiliary to the General Assembly's Board of Missions.

*Art. 2.* Any person who shall contribute annually to its funds shall be a member.

*Art. 3.* The affairs of this Association shall be conducted by an Executive Committee of seven members, of whom, the Pastor and Elders shall always be a part, and the Pastor, if there be one, shall be, *ex officio*, chairman.

*Art. 4.* The committee shall appoint their own Secretary and Treasurer, either from their own number or any other persons, as they may deem expedient. The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds, and pay them at the order of the Committee—the Secretary shall keep the records and conduct the correspondence.

*Art. 5.* The whole subject of soliciting contributions, and raising funds, shall be committed to the Executive Committee, whose duty it shall be to adopt such plans as they may deem most expedient for accomplishing the object.

*Art. 6.* It shall be the privilege of this Association, if they desire it, to designate the missionaries they will aid; and where they take on their funds individual missionaries, they will expect from these missionaries, quarterly reports to be made to the Association, as well as to the parent Board.

*Art. 7.* It shall be the duty of the Committee to meet, at least once in three months, to consult together, devise plans for promoting the interests of domestic missions, and do whatever business may come before them; three members regularly convened, shall be a quorum for business.

*Art. 8.* The Association shall meet annually on the — in March, when a report for the year shall be read, and an Executive Committee appointed. The Pastor, if there be one, shall be, *ex officio*, President of the Association; seven members shall be a quorum for business.

*Art. 9.* The Secretary of the Association shall transmit a copy of the report immediately after the annual meeting of the Association, to the Secretary of the General Assembly's Board of Missions.